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This study is concerned with traditional houses in three selected cities of West and North Africa. The author has been studying the organization of domestic groups and the way in which these groups acquire, build, maintain and finance their houses. Special attention has been devoted to study the relationship between the composition of domestic groups and the lay-out and size of the houses they occupy. The material on which this research is based was collected in Zaria, Ibadan and at Marrakech between December 1967 and the end of February 1969. Altogether 215 houses or compounds with 676 households containing 3,248 persons were studied.

The questionnaire used in this enquiry produced a wide range of information on the structure and changes of co-residential kinship groups, household patterns, availability and allocation of living space, on income distributions and expenditures, land tenure as well as on the construction, improvement and maintenance of traditional urban houses and the way in which these building activities were financed. Much of these data and other relevant material are presented below in the form of tables, graphs and diagrams together with a descriptive commentary for each of the three communities studied.

This research has produced some interesting analysis on the relationship between traditional forms of housing and the organization of the domestic groups. It has also shown how these groups have built, financed and maintained their houses largely without official help. However, this study does not seek to supply ready solutions for the urban housing problems in Africa, but rather to produce information which architects and townplanners may find of some practical use when searching for better housing particularly for the indigenous population of Zaria, Ibadan and Marrakech or towns of similar background.



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### Preface

Traditional urban houses have hitherto received very little attention, yet they provide shelter for the overwhelming majority of the urban population in Africa and Asia. Most countries in Africa have made genuine efforts to increase the production of modern houses constructed with permanent building materials, but this effort, though often and widely publicized has benefited only a relatively small section of the community, whereas the rest of the population still has to rely for their housing almost entirely on traditional building materials and techniques, on locally trained labour, and on their own meagre financial resources. It is the houses and people of this latter group that will be analysed in the following study.

The towns chosen for this research were Zaria, a Hausa city of Northern Nigeria, the Yoruba metropolis of Ibadan in Western Nigeria, and Marrakech the ancient capital of Morocco. These three non-European cities have undergone parallel changes linked first with colonization at the start of this century and then with the emergence of independent states in Morocco and Nigeria during the last two decades. The predominantly Moslem population of all three towns has grown rapidly during the last 50 years, but the physical expansion associated with this growth has taken place outside the traditional cities, leaving their central areas virtually untouched. The only modern industry at the time of my study in these three towns was a few food-processing factories in Ibadan and Marrakech.

### Main Characteristics of Towns

The city of Zaria was founded as the capital of the Hausa states with that name in the fifteenth century and has been the seat of the Emir or chief for the last four centuries. The city is both the cultural, the economic and the political centre of the Emirate, its people are mainly

engaged in subsistence farming handicrafts and trade. In the early 1970's the population of the city and its suburbs was estimated at around 120,000.<sup>1/</sup>

Ibadan was established as a Yoruba army camp early in the nineteenth century. From this unusual beginning, the city has grown rapidly due mainly to large-scale immigration from the northern parts of Yoruba land. By 1900, Ibadan was the largest native city in sub-Saharan Africa, and after the First World War, Ibadan became the commercial centre for the cocoa-growing region of western Nigeria. Its inhabitants derive their wealth and livelihood mainly from cash-crop cultivation, craft production and trading. It has been estimated that the population of the city reached a million in the early 1970's.

Marrakech was founded by Berber tribesmen in the late eleventh century, and served as capital of the Moroccan Empire for over three centuries. During the Middle Ages the city was one of the most important northern entrepôts for the long-distance caravan trade across the Sahara. As the regional capital of southern Morocco, contemporary Marrakech retains some of its former economic importance, and its inhabitants are mainly engaged in trade, crafts activities and local administration. According to the 1971 census report the city then had a population of 333,000.

### Aims and Objectives

The primary aims of this study are firstly, to provide some information on the housing situation of the native populations of three selected African towns; secondly, to investigate the relations between traditional forms of housing and the organization of the domestic groups and finally to find out how these groups build, finance and maintain their houses.

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<sup>1/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Demographic Yearbook 1971 New York 1972, p. 354. The urban population of Zaria is given as 166,170. This figure represents the urban population of Zaria Province and not the population of Zaria town.

As most houses or compounds included in my survey were constructed in several stages according to the needs of its inhabitants, I have devoted special attention to domestic groups and their kinship organization in order to determine what relationship exists between the development of co-residential kinship groups and the lay-out and size of their compounds or houses. This is an essential part of my study and stems from the belief that we cannot understand the construction, use, abandonment and decay of traditional urban compounds, let alone plan new houses to supplement or replace them, unless we have a sound understanding of the structure and development of co-residential kinship groups that have built and developed these compounds in order to meet their housing need.

It is hoped that this study will provide useful information on the social and economic aspects of domestic groups as well as on the physical and financial aspects of housing. Such information may be of some relevance when we seek to identify areas which are in need of improvement, and to analyse past failures in the modern housing sector. Furthermore, this research was undertaken to develop a method and to collect the data which are essential to study the various aspects of the relationship between co-residential kinship groups and their houses.

However, this study cannot provide solutions for housing problems encountered in the three towns under investigation, nor does it attempt to formulate a housing policy ready for use by planning authorities. Instead I merely try to provide a more comprehensive view of the urban housing problems by including the often neglected development of co-residential kinship groups which, as we will see in this study, play a decisive part in determining the lay-out and size of compounds.

## PROBLEM AND METHOD OF STUDY

### Selection of Towns

Selection of the above-mentioned towns was guided by three broad principles. First, to ensure that the towns studied represented distinct cultures, it was necessary that they should be established before colonial rule. Second, each town had to have a largely undisturbed central area in which the pattern of domestic groups and their building activities could be studied; and finally, to exclude problems that might arise due to differences of religion, I decided to restrict the study to towns having a predominantly Moslem population.

### Sampling Procedure

Non-existence or incompleteness of the housing lists in all three towns chosen for study meant that the selection of houses had to be based on aerial samples. A standard procedure was adopted for all three towns. The first step was to define the central area of the town, i.e., the area surrounded by the old city wall. It was then decided to exclude all planned modern residential areas, any fallow land, parks and land used for agriculture, as well as non-residential areas and markets. The territory defined by this procedure was then divided into 80 contiguous plots of identical size marked out on a large-scale map. Once these plots were transferred onto an aerial photograph, they were carefully examined and one house, typical for houses in each plot, was selected and marked on the photograph. The photographs were then taken to the area and with the help of the ward head, the selected house was identified and listed. On completion of the list for all 80 areas, each ward head was asked to approach the owner of the houses in his area and to obtain the compound heads' permission to survey the house and its occupants. This procedure provided me with a sponsorship and

official introduction; and although some compound heads did have misgivings about the investigations they seldom refused the ward head's request that I should be allowed to survey the house.

### Demographic Factors

The three samples chosen in this way varied in absolute size and in proportions of the universes which they represent. Thus, the sample taken in Zaria included 77 compounds with 1,067 inhabitants, and represented about 2.6 per cent of the total population living in the walled city. In Ibadan the sample consisted of only 63 houses with 1,285 persons or about 0.2 per cent of the city's total population; while at Marrakech the sample included 75 houses with 896 inhabitants or about 0.5 per cent of the population in the Medina or walled city. In spite of their varying representativeness the three samples have equivalent status because they were chosen, studied and analysed by a uniform method.

### Unit of Analysis

The units of analysis throughout this study are the inhabitants of a house or compound, divided into households or economic units. However, as household data alone are insufficient to explain satisfactorily the various changes which frequently occur in domestic groups, some additional kinship data based on a common reference point - in our case relation with the compound head - were collected and analysed for everyone in these samples.

### Method of Survey

The first draft of my personally administered questionnaire, setting out all major fields of investigation, was drawn up in London. However, on arrival in Ibadan the questionnaire was found to be too cumbersome to administer and with the helpful guidance of Professor A. Mabogunje at

Ibadan University, it was then redesigned. A pilot survey of five houses was next conducted in order to find out whether the new questionnaire could produce the required information. This resulted in a few additional questions being added and alteration of some others and the revised questionnaire was then used with only minor alterations in all three samples. (See pages 459-463).

The first part of the questionnaire was designed to obtain basic information on the number of people living in the house, their relationships to the compound head, then ages, birthplaces, ethnic groups, length of residence in the town and house, educational standards and occupations. The second part of the questionnaire began with more detailed questions on family history, the occupations of all adult males and females in these households, followed by questions about household consumption of food, hygiene, children, extended kinship links, expenditures on food, clothing, other consumer goods, and finally I calculated annual, monthly, weekly and/or daily incomes. The third part of the questionnaire dealt in detail with the house, its construction, improvements and maintenance, seeking information on actual expenditures over the past five years. Costs of these building activities were calculated with the help of the compound head, who was also questioned on the method and sources of finance. As only a few informants could speak either English or French as fluently as needed for the interview, I used interpreters who were trained for about two weeks preceding the date of the first interview in each town.

FIELD WORKGeneral Notes

On my arrival in Nigeria in November 1967, the civil war with Biafra in the Eastern Region of the country was at its height. Although not directly involved in the war, the people of Ibadan and to a lesser degree those of Zaria were understandably suspicious of strangers at this time, particularly of those who came to probe into their personal affairs. In spite of repeated official explanations of the nature of our inquiry and repeated efforts and personal persuasion, some compound heads were not convinced of the good faith of the inquiry and refused to co-operate. One compound head, a soldier, actually went so far as to report us to his superior officer, and told him that we were spies engaged in collecting information which could be used by enemy aircrafts for air-raids against the town. While such wild accusations could be dealt with relatively easily and satisfactorily, there were other obstructions which were less immediately evident but more persistent and severe. Having agreed to let us survey their houses, some compound heads tried with considerable skill to lead me systematically astray by giving deliberately false information about their income and expenditure. To overcome these difficulties I decided to base my financial enquiry on reports of the regular daily, weekly and monthly expenditures of household heads, a subject about which most informants were quite willing to speak freely. Only after all major items of expenditure were listed was income investigated. Income and expenditure were then compared and only when they balanced within about 10 per cent was the budget accepted as sufficiently accurate for inclusion in the analysis.



### The Survey of Houses

The survey of compounds and houses followed a systematic pattern throughout my investigation. After the compound head had agreed to permit a survey of his house, I visited the house at a pre-arranged time, often accompanied by the ward head. Following a detailed explanation of the aim and purpose of my survey, I encouraged the compound head to ask questions in order to clear up any possible misunderstandings. This informal discussion before each investigation proved invaluable on both sides as it put the compound head at ease and acquainted me with the man.

The first part of my inquiry started by measuring the house and all its rooms and interior spaces, the size of doors and windows within it, the height of rooms and the thickness of walls. The contents of all rooms were then recorded on a specially-prepared list. (See page 464). Inquiries were then made about the use of rooms and the number of occupants. In the course of this inventory, new construction, improvements and recent repairs carried out by the compound head or any other household head were easily detected and marked on the plan. Depending on the size of the house the first part of the enquiry lasted on average between one and three hours.

This first part of a compound survey supplied a wealth of useful information by direct observation which proved invaluable during the following interviews. The distribution of radios, sewing machines, record-players, bicycles and even television sets found in the houses surveyed, gave a fair indication of the economic positions of their occupants. The state of repair of the house and the use of traditional or expensive modern building materials supplied another set of useful information, which served as a check on some of the compound head's answers and as a reminder when enquiries into the cost of new construction, improvements and repairs were carried out.

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ENVIRONMENTAL SETTINGGeography and Climate

Nigeria is the largest country on the west coast of Africa. It is sited entirely within the tropical zone between latitudes  $4^{\circ} 20'$  to  $13^{\circ} 53'$  north and longitudes  $2^{\circ} 40'$  to  $14^{\circ} 40'$  east and covering an area of 923,737 sq.km. (356,669 sq.miles).

The main features of the country's topography are the valleys and flood-plains of the Niger and Benue rivers, which, together with the coastal region and the Chad Basin in the north-east of the country, are less than 300 m. above sea-level. The greater part of northern Nigeria lies between 300 and 1,200 m. above sea-level, but the Jos plateau situated approximately in the centre of the country and the Cameroon highlands on the south-east border rise up to 1,780 m. and 2,020 m. respectively.

The vegetation of the country may be roughly divided into three zones.<sup>1/</sup> First the swamp and tropical rainforest of the coastal belt, second the high forest of the humid south and third the Guinea and Sudan savannah of the north. The forest and the southern part of the savannah are suitable for growing cocoa, kola, rubber plants, palm trees, yam and cassava, while in the northern part of the savannah there is herding of cattle and sheep with cultivation of cotton, groundnuts, millet and guinea corn.

The climate of Nigeria is conditioned by the seasonal shifting of pressure belts, the continental air masses blowing southwards from the

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<sup>1/</sup> KEAY, R.W.J. An Outline of Nigerian Vegetation Lagos 1949, pp. 33-6. Keay distinguishes between Forest Region and Savannah Region which are divided into three sub-groups each

north-east from November to March, which is the dry or harmattan season, while the equatorial maritime air masses blow northwards from the south-west from May to September to create the rainy season.

In Zaria the temperatures vary from an average maximum of 35.8°C. in April to an average minimum of 14.0°C. in January. The mean annual rainfall (1928-1967) is 1.11 m. and most of it falls between May and September.<sup>2/</sup> (See also Diagram A.1.1 on page 380). However, the local people in Hausaland distinguish four seasons as follows. First bazara from mid-February to mid-May the hot dry season of the harmattan, second, damina from mid-May to the end of August the rainy season, third, kaka from the beginning of September to the end of November the harvest season, and fourth rani from the end of November to mid-February the cold dry season of the harmattan which is also the building season.

#### Human Pattern

Over 90 per cent of the various linguistic and cultural groups found in Nigeria belong to the Sudanic language family.<sup>3/</sup> According to Buchanan, K.M. et al. three divisions of the Sudanic language family are recognised today.<sup>4/</sup> There are, first the Negro languages, second the Semi-Bantu languages and third the Inner Sudanic languages. The kwa language group, a subdivision of the Negro languages, is further divided into a northern section including Nupe, Jukun and Gwari and a southern section including Yoruba, Ibo, Ijaw and Edo.<sup>\*</sup> The Semi-Bantu language group stretches in a

<sup>2/</sup> WALTER, M.W. Observation on Rainfall at the Institute for Agricultural Research Samaru Miscellaneous Paper No.15, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria 1967, pp. 3-5

<sup>3/</sup> BAUMANN, H. and WESTERMANN, D. Les Peuples et les Civilisation de l'Afrique Paris 1948, pp. 449-68

<sup>4/</sup> BUCHANAN, K.M. et al. Land and People in Nigeria, London 1955, p. 82

\* See Ethnic Composition on page 48

broken semi-circle to the north of the Yoruba-Ibo speaking area and include the Ibibio, Tiv and Fulani.<sup>5/</sup> The Inner Sudanic languages which are subdivided into the Hausa-Kotoko and Kanuri groups are spoken in all northern states of Nigeria.

### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The recorded history of Hausaland can be divided into four periods: the Habe kingdoms, the Fulani empire 1804-1900, the colonial period 1900-1960 followed by independence. The origin and early history of the Hausa people is obscured, but it seems probable that during the ninth and tenth centuries A.D. several waves of immigrants from the east came into the area which is now part of north-western Nigeria including the former Provinces of Sokoto, Katsina, Kano and Zaria.<sup>6/</sup> Daura makas sarki <sup>7/</sup> a legend probably written in the eleventh century A.D. speaks of a Hausa kingdom in Daura (80 km north of Kano) which was ruled by a queen. A traveller named Ba'ijidda, son of Abdullah, Sultan of Baghdad, came to Daura and killed the snake (sarki) which was living in the town's main well preventing people from drawing water. For this he was chosen by the queen as her husband and their descendants became the first kings and queens of seven Hausa kingdoms (Hausa bakwa). One of these kingdoms was Zazzau or Zaria. In their early history the seven Hausa kingdoms formed a loose collection of culturally related units and it is reported that Zaria,

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<sup>5/</sup> BAUMANN, H. et al. op cit., p. 457. Baumann includes the Fulani in the Semi-Bantu language group, although this has been disputed by other scholars

<sup>6/</sup> SMITH, M.G. "The Beginning of Hausa Society A.D. 1000 to 1500", in Vansina, J. et al., The Historian in Tropical Africa, London 1964 pp. 339-54

<sup>7/</sup> ARNETT, E.J. "A Hausa Chronicle" in Journal of the Royal African Society, Vol. IX, London 1909-10 pp. 161-67

due to her position to the south, had the task of capturing and supplying slaves to her northern neighbours. The chronicle of the history of the Hausa kingdom of Zaria mentions queen Bakwa who ruled Zaria from 1492-1522. It is further reported that Bakwa was the last queen who ruled in Turunku, a place 25 km south of Zaria, and that her second daughter Zaria built the last of the five capitals of Zaria in its present position and gave it her name. According to Arnett, Islam was introduced to Kano in the first half of the fourteenth century A.D. by Arab traders and reached Zaria in the 1450's.<sup>8/</sup> The new religion seems to have spread rapidly among the nobility in the capital, but until the early eighteenth century the occasional pagan ruler appears on the list of local chiefs.

The Fulani cattle nomads first mentioned as peul, sing. pullo in the eleventh century A.D. were a small group living in what is now known as Senegal. Over the years they wandered eastwards and crossed the border of Hausaland in the early sixteenth century. There they were generally welcomed by the Hausa kings and either continued as pastoralists or settled in towns as Filanih gida. By the middle of the eighteenth century wars and corruption had weakened the political and administrative organization of the Hausa kingdoms. But it was the impurity of Islam as practised by the Hausa élite which compelled Uthman dan Fodio, a Fulani religious leader and clan-head, to preach his holy war ( Jihad ) against the Hausa king of Gobir during the last years of the eighteenth century, thus initiating developments which led to a holy war in 1804-10 which caused the downfall of the Hausa dynasties.

After the victory over Makau, the last Hausa king of Zaria in c. 1807 Mallam Musa was appointed by Uthman dan Fodio to rule Zaria. The new Fulani rulers of Hausaland who enjoyed a great measure of autonomy, recognised the

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<sup>8/</sup> ARNETT, E.J. "A Hausa Chronicle" in Journal of the Royal African Society, Vol. IX, London 1909-10 p. 163

Sultan of Sokoto as their spiritual and political head and paid him an annual tribute. Emirates in difficulties could appeal to the Sultan for help, who, in case peace was threatened, did intervene in the political administration of the state concerned. The Emirate of Zaria which extended southwards to the bank of the river Benue in the middle of the nineteenth century, was divided into a number of areas and vassal-states controlled by the Emir who either appointed Fulani noblemen as fiefs or installed locally chosen heads after they had sworn allegiance to him.

In the second half of the nineteenth century the Royal Niger Company which traded along the Niger and Benue entered into a number of commercial treaties with the Emirs of the Fulani Empire in order to protect their trade and trading establishments. These agreements, it was later argued, gave the company and its successor, the British Government, the right over large areas of land particularly alongside the above-mentioned rivers and some undefined political power over the Emirates. How wrong this assumption was, was shown by the tough resistance of most Emirs to the British occupation which started under the command of Frederick Lugard (later Lord Lugard) at the beginning of 1900 from Lokoya and was only firmly established after the battle of Burmi in July 1903 where Attahiru the last independent Fulani Sultan died with over 700 of his followers.

With the advance of British forces Zaria came under British rule in 1902. The colonial administration deposed Kwassau, Emir of Zaria and replaced him with Aliyu, a grandson of Mallam Musa, the Galadima Suleimann acting as regent for a six months' period. (See Table A.1.1, page 381). After the battle of Burmi, Zaria Emirate was reduced in size and its former vassal states of Keffi, Nassarawa and Jema'a were removed as independent chiefdoms. Slavery was gradually abolished and in the following years the foundation of a modern economy with its infrastructure, new laws, an educational system and a health service were gradually laid down, leading to independence in September 1960.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### General Situation

The overall performance of the Nigerian economy between 1962 and 1966, as reflected in the changes in Gross Domestic Product, was one of unsteady expansion. In 1962 the G.D.P. at 1962/3 factor cost was £N. 1,299 million and rose to £N. 1,552 million in 1966 <sup>9/</sup> giving a per caput income of approximately £N. 28 and £N. 31 respectively.\* (See Table A.1.2 on page 382 ). The average annual rate of growth of G.D.P. was about 5 per cent between 1962-66 and that of per caput G.D.P. was 2.5 per cent. After the outbreak of an already simmering political crisis in early 1966 followed by open hostility in July 1967 the G.D.P. fell by about 17 per cent to £N. 1,286 million. After the decline in 1967 and stagnation in 1968 the economy adjusted to the war situation in the country and started to pick up again in 1969, a trend which has become even more pronounced after the fighting had stopped in January 1970. In November of the same year the Second National Development Plan was launched with the prime economic target of achieving an average annual growth rate of over 6 per cent of G.D.P. between 1970-4. <sup>10/</sup>

### Natural Resources, Agriculture and Industry

Nigeria has a great wealth of natural resources which include inter alia crude petroleum, coal, natural gas, tin, columbite, a great variety of timber and limestone. Nevertheless, agriculture still occupies a dominant position in the country's economic development and accounted for about

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<sup>9/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Annual Abstract of Statistics 1971 Lagos 1972, p. 141

\* The estimated population of Nigeria was about 47.0 million in 1962 and 52.0 million in 1966.

<sup>10/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, NIGERIA Second National Development Plan 1970-4 Lagos 1970, p. 36

£N. 764 million or 48 per cent of G.D.P. and about 43 per cent of total overseas export earnings in 1969. (See Table A.1.5 on page 382).

Approximately one third or 32.2 million hectares (79.5 million acres) of Nigeria's total land area is arable land or land under cultivation, and is worked by over 70 per cent of the country's total labour force. Nigeria produces all its basic staple food as well as cocoa, groundnuts, rubber and various palm produce e.g. palm kernels and palm oil for the export market. For example, cocoa and groundnuts accounted for over 16 per cent each, palm produce for 3.2 per cent\* of the total domestic export in 1969.<sup>11/</sup> It is estimated that agricultural output grew at an average rate of about two per cent per annum from 1962-8, but with the fast growth of the non-agricultural sector particularly the mining industry (crude petroleum), the relative position of agriculture as a major foreign exchange earner has been declining from 75 per cent or £N. 123 million of the total domestic export in 1962 to 19 per cent or £N. 121 million in 1971.<sup>12/</sup> (See Table A.1.4 and Table A.1.5 on page 382 ). However, it must be stressed that agricultural produce will continue to be an important export commodity.

The production of crude petroleum has come to play a vital role in the country's economic development. The export of crude petroleum rose from £N. 4.4 million (2.7 per cent of the total domestic export) in 1960 to £N. 92 million (33 per cent) in 1966. During the above-mentioned national crisis the export fell to £N. 72 million in 1967 and still further to

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\*The export of palm produce was severely affected by the civil war. In 1965 it was as high as 15.2 per cent of the total domestic export.

<sup>11/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Digest of Statistics Vol.20 No.2 Lagos 1971 p. 50

<sup>12/</sup> Ibid. Annual Abstract of Statistics 1971 op cit., pp. 84-6



£N. 37 million (18 per cent of the total export value) in 1968. In 1969 export of crude petroleum increased again reaching £N. 477 million or 74.4 per cent of the total domestic export in 1971. The share of crude petroleum and mining in G.D.P. at 1962/3 factor cost rose from 1.2 per cent in 1960 to 6.9 per cent in 1966 and fell to 3.3 per cent in 1968, only to rise again to 7.9 per cent in 1969. Known reserves of crude petroleum are estimated at about 200 million tons which, at the present rate of exploitation, would last until the early 1990's. However, probable aggregate estimation ranges between 600 and 1,200 million tons. Although mining is a very important sector of the economy, the substantial investments in oil installation have been made by foreign-owned private companies, but the Nigerian Government is now increasingly participating in the exploration for, and exploitation of, crude petroleum because of the crucial role which this commodity is expected to play henceforth in the national economy.

Until quite recently, Nigeria's manufacturing industry consisted of small processing plants mainly producing consumer goods such as textiles, canned food, paints, beer and soft drinks, flour, car tyres and cement. However, industry is being diversified and steps are taken to introduce new production plants. About 60 per cent of the 625 industrial establishments included in the 1968 Industrial Survey were built after 1960.<sup>13/</sup> The contribution of the manufacturing industry (including crafts) to the G.D.P. amounted to £N. 60 million or 4.8 per cent in 1960. By 1969, the value added had risen to £N. 132 million or 8.2 per cent of G.D.P. During this period the average rate of growth was about 10 per cent per annum. Approximately one quarter of the contribution of these industries to G.D.P.

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<sup>13/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Digest of Statistics op cit., p. 19

came from the semi-processing of primary raw materials for export such as palm-oil processing, rubber creping and saw-milling, while industrial production accounted for the rest. In addition there are a great number of indigenous small-scale enterprises run by local craftsmen and artisans e.g. weaving, traditional building construction, smithing and leather working, the contribution of which are not included in the G.D.P.

Other important sectors of the national economy are distribution with £N. 206 million or 12.8 per cent of G.D.P., Government and other services e.g. education, health, electricity and water supply with £N. 241 million or 15 per cent, crude oil and mining with £N. 127 million or 7.0 per cent, building construction with £N. 70 million or 4.4 per cent and transport and communication with £N. 64 million or 4.0 per cent of G.D.P. in 1969. (See Table A.1.2 on page 382).

#### External Transactions

From 1960 to 1965 Nigeria had a trade deficit which led to various legislative steps taken in 1964/65 to restrain consumer demand by imposing higher customs duties on a wide range of imported consumer goods as well as higher taxes. As the result of these measures and later the increasing revenue from crude oil export, the balance of trade showed a surplus of £N. 27 million in 1966, which increased to £N. 107 million in 1971.<sup>14/</sup> (See Table A.1.6 on page 382). Agricultural goods and crude petroleum have already been mentioned as the main export earning commodities, both contributing over 90 per cent to the total domestic export value in 1971. In the same year the major items of imported goods were machinery and transport equipment with 39.9 per cent, manufactured goods 29.7 per cent, chemicals 11.3 per cent and food with 8.2 per cent.<sup>15/</sup> The import of

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<sup>14/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Annual Abstract of Statistics 1971 op cit., p. 68

<sup>15/</sup> Ibid. p. 69

capital and consumer goods nearly doubled in 1970 when compared with the level of import in 1965.

### Capital Formation

According to the Annual Abstract of Statistics of 1971, the total Gross Fixed Capital Formation at 1962/3 prices rose from £N. 176 million or 13.6 per cent of G.D.P. in 1962, to £N. 275 million or 17.7 per cent of G.D.P. in 1966. After the outbreak of open hostilities in 1967, capital formation fell to £N. 231 million or 18 per cent of G.D.P. and to £N. 222 million in 1969.<sup>16/</sup> Closer examination of total capital formation by type of asset shows that the value of investment in buildings increased from £N. 64.9 million in 1960 to £N. 94.3 million in 1965, and decreased to £N. 65.3 million in 1969. The percentage distribution in building works fell from 40.4 per cent in 1960 to 29.5 per cent in 1969, while civil engineering works increased from 16.9 per cent to 29.0 per cent over the same time. (See Table A.1.9 and Table A.1.10 on page 383). It has been estimated that between 1962 and 1967 the share of privately financed dwellings accounted for 16 to 20 per cent of total investment in buildings.<sup>17/</sup>

During the second National Development Plan 1970-74, the amount spent on private housing construction is expected to rise from an estimated £N. 10.5 million in 1970 to £N. 12.0 million in 1974.<sup>18/</sup>

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<sup>16/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Annual Abstract of Statistics 1971 op cit., p. 142

<sup>17/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, NIGERIA Second National Development Plan 1970-4 op cit., pp. 275-80

<sup>18/</sup> Ibid. p. 224

In conclusion, gross fixed capital formation accounts for 13.0 to 19.0 per cent of G.D.P. at 1962/3 factor cost and about half of it goes into construction. From 1964 to 1969 total building investment represents about 30.0 per cent of which privately financed dwellings accounted for only 5.0 to 7.0 per cent, of gross fixed capital formation in both cases. Most of these privately financed dwellings are located in urban centres, while the overwhelming majority of dwellings in rural and semi-urban areas, where over 80 per cent of the total population live, are constructed in the non-monetary sector of the economy and never appear in any National Accounts.

HISTORICAL NOTES ON LAND TENURE

The present Land Tenure Law passed by the legislature of Northern Nigeria in 1962 contains three diverse and often contradictory elements; first, the customary law (al'ada), second, the Moslem land law (shari'a) based on the Malikite school or rite which was introduced after the Fulani jihad\* from 1804-1810 and third, colonial land legislation following the establishment of the Protectorate of Northern Nigeria in 1900.

It is difficult to give a definite account of the customary land law in the pre-Fulani state of Zaria. According to C.K. Meek <sup>1/</sup> most of the land was communally owned. The ultimate authority on land matters was the local chief. He was the trustee of the group and distributed land among his people who enjoyed usufructuary rights during occupancy against any other member of the community. Fallow land remained with its occupant until no longer needed when it reverted to the general pool for re-allocation. The formal sale of land was unknown though long and short-term loan of land were practised.

After the Fulani conquest of Zaria in 1807 the new rulers recognized most of the customs relating to land.<sup>2/</sup> The land was divided into two broad categories following the customary division: First dead land; this is land which has not been brought under cultivation, and second, living land which has either been cleared, cultivated or inhabited.<sup>3/</sup> Living land was further sub-divided into tithe land and

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\* See History on pages 30-1.

<sup>1/</sup> MEEK, C.K. Land Tenure and Land Administration in Nigeria and the Cameroons. London 1957 pp. 113-117

<sup>2/</sup> SMITH, M.G. "Hausa Inheritance and Succession", in Derrett, J.D.M. et al., Studies in the Laws of Succession in Nigeria. O.U.P. 1965. p. 245

<sup>3/</sup> MEEK, C.K. op cit. p. 164. Meek, discussing the different land types, mentioned wakf land as a third category, but according to Ruxton, F.H. Maliki Law London 1916 p. 216 wakf land as a separate sub-category did not exist in northern Nigeria. However the term "territorial wakf" was used by the Fulani rulers to describe conquered land in general.

kharaj land. Tithe land farmed by Muslims on which the statutory tithe (zakka) was payable, while kharaj land was cultivated by heathens who paid the kharaj a tribute levied on the vanquished in return for the privilege of being allowed to remain in possession of their land.

After the Fulani had conquered the former Hausa Kingdoms, they divided the territory and allotted land to Fulani noblemen as fiefs in return for their active support during the  Jihad.<sup>4/</sup> The Moslem land law (shari'a) which is based on the Maliki law<sup>5/</sup> was gradually introduced by the Fulani rulers into the Hausa courts. However, the new law was seldom applied in practice because the majority of people settled their land transactions and inheritance disputes informally amongst themselves, but land disputes brought before the courts would be settled according to the rule of Maliki law.<sup>6/</sup> Nevertheless, "Hausa courts", as M.G. Smith observed in Zaria, "administer a variable mixture of Maliki law and Hausa custom", which coexisted and functioned side by side during nearly one hundred years of independent Fulani rule in Zaria.<sup>7/</sup>

The Protectorate of Northern Nigeria was created on January 1st, 1900, but it was not until the fall of Kano and Sokoto in the first half of 1903 that colonial rule was finally established over the whole territory.<sup>8/</sup>

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<sup>4/</sup> SMITH, M.G. The Economy of Hausa Communities of Zaria, London 1955 p. 105

<sup>5/</sup> RUXTON, F.H. Maliki Law, London 1916

<sup>6/</sup> MICHIE, C.W. "Notes on Land Tenure in the Northern Districts of Zaria Emirate", in Cole, C.W. Report on Land Tenure Zaria Province Kaduna, 1952 p.72. "The case of Ibrahim versus Musa (before the native court in Zaria walled City on the 23rd Dec. 1937) is a case in point. Two brothers and two sisters failed to live amicably and the alkali gave each brother one-third of the compound and the two sisters the remaining third."

<sup>7/</sup> SMITH, M.G. "Hausa Inheritance and Succession", op cit., p. 246

<sup>8/</sup> COLONIAL OFFICE Annual Report, Northern Nigeria, London 1902-03

The most important land legislation introduced by the British Government included inter alia, first the Land Proclamation No. 8 of 1900 which enacted that the title to land, which was formerly vested in the Emirs, henceforth passed to the colonial Government and that a non-Nigerian could not acquire land without written consent from the High Commissioner. Second, the Crown Land Proclamation No. 16 of 1902 which dealt with land acquired from the Royal Niger Company, while the Public Land Proclamation No. 13 of the same year dealt with the land which was the property of conquered or deposed rulers or land not actually occupied. In 1908 the Government appointed a committee to advise on land policy for the protectorate. The report of the committee, which was later approved and embodied in the Land and Native Rights Proclamation No. 9 of 1910, recommended that all land should be declared "Native Land" and that the earlier distinction between Public Land (Government administered) and Crown Land (Government owned) should be abandoned.<sup>9/</sup> By analysing land legislation in the first decade of colonial rule, two important factors emerge: namely the Government's determination to preserve local forms of land tenure and its ban on land alienation have helped to preserve pre-colonial patterns of landholding to an astonishing degree.<sup>10/</sup> It should be remembered that in practice the Governor's power regarding land legislation has for the most part been delegated to the Native Authorities or Emirs who have thus continued to exercise their executive control of land disposal and revocation. Thus despite or because of colonial land legislation, it can be said that the majority of people living in the walled city of Zaria continue to hold and use land in much the same way as their forefathers.

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<sup>9/</sup> COLONIAL OFFICE C.D. 5102 Report of the Northern Nigeria Land Committee, London, 1910 p.23

<sup>10/</sup> COLONIAL OFFICE Land and Native Rights Ordinance No.1 of 1916 Preamble; "And whereas it is expedient that existing native customs with regard to the use and occupation of land should, as far as possible, be preserved."

### LAND TENURE AND TRANSFER TODAY

The main features of land tenure in Zaria Province were studied by C.W. Cole in 1948, and the situation has not changed substantially since then.<sup>11/</sup> However, Cole concentrated on rural land tenure and has only a brief description of the situation within the walled city of Zaria.<sup>12/</sup> The investigation of ownership and acquisition of land described below is based on my 1968 survey of 77 compounds situated in the walled city. The following three types of land holdings were found: first Community Holdings; this land belongs to the Native Authority and includes sites for its offices and departments of the administration, the main city market, all roads, rivers, public footpaths, as well as rock outcrops and borrow-pits. Second Family Holdings; this is land owned by a family or lineage, and third, Individual Holdings, i.e. privately owned land which has usually been acquired by the present owner, and which becomes family land when inherited.

#### Permanent Transfers of Land

Inheritance of Land (gado) accounted for 65.0% of compounds surveyed. Inheritance is by far the most important mode of land transfer and the "normal" means of acquisition. On the death of its compound head, the family compound is not normally subdivided among the inheritors, but passes undivided into the care of the senior resident male agnate. However, if the heirs cannot agree division of the agricultural land and other items among themselves, which is extremely rare, the alkali or judge,

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<sup>11/</sup> COLE, C.W. Report on Land Tenure Zaria Province op cit., Kaduna 1952

<sup>12/</sup> Ibid. op cit. pp. 46-47



if called on, will sub-divide the land as required by Maliki law. Farmland, is generally divided equally among the resident male heirs. Any surplus of unapportioned land is usually worked as a gandu or joint farm by all the adult males and their families in the compound.\*

Purchase of Land (saye) accounted for 24.6% of compounds surveyed. The sale of suitable building sites in Zaria walled city is now common practice and plays an important role particularly in the densely populated areas of the walled city. By contrast farmland is normally not sold, though it may be transferred on a temporary basis, as mentioned later. The price of a plot of land varies enormously, between £N. 2 and £N. 80, and depends not only on the size and location, but also on the relationship between the parties involved.

Allocation of Land is made by the Native Authority normally to employees of the Emir's administration but also to other families in need. This category accounted for 6.5% of the compounds surveyed. These building sites, which often include small adjacent farm plots, are usually located in or near the Emir's palace. Land allocated by the Emir is held on usufructuary rather than proprietary bases though it is heritable, and, if the grant is not revoked progressively acquires the status of family land.

Gift of Land (kyauta) between private individuals accounts for 2.6% of compounds surveyed. Land may be given, for example, by a compound head to his adult son, to a cognatic kinsman, a client or a good friend of the family.

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\* See discussion on page 65

Reclaiming of Land occurred in 1.3% of compounds surveyed. Such reclaiming of land for building purpose is done by filling in disused borrow-pits. This was undertaken by several compounds surveyed, but only in one case of the sample was a new compound built entirely on such reclaimed land. (See Table A.2.1 on page 384).

#### Temporary Transfers of Land

The temporary transfer of land is restricted to farm land. Two types of temporary land transfer are recognised today:

Pledge of Land (jingina or dangana) Pledging is a customary transaction by which one person or group obtains temporary rights to farm a plot of land as security for a loan made to its proprietor. Pledged land remains perpetually redeemable by the pledgor on repayment of the loan. However, adequate notice must be given and the pledgee must be allowed to harvest his crops. While the loan made to the owner of the land varies and does not necessarily bear any relationship to the value of the land, it is normally free of interest (ushra) as required by Muslim law. Pledging is an increasingly important feature of the local economy used for short and long term land conveyance, and for raising money to finance trading activities, marriage payments and building construction or improvements.

Loan of Land (aro) Renting of farm land is widely practiced in the walled city and usually takes place when the holder is unable to work all his fields. The rent for the land consists either of galla\*, a token payment from the crop, e.g. one or two bundles of guinea corn or millet, or an annual cash payment (suhuri). The latter form of payment was unknown in

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\* This term was also used in pre-colonial times to denote the slave or serf's payment to the land-owner, his owner. This was at least one third, often one half, of the crop.

pre-colonial times and developed only after the introduction of the money-economy.<sup>13/</sup>

#### LAND USE IN ZARIA WALLED CITY

The study of land use given below is based partly on an air survey carried out in December 1963 and partly on a large scale map at 1:2.400 published by Northern Nigerian Survey, Kaduna, in 1964. The walled city has a total area of 16,577,670 sq. metres or 1,658 hectares (4,097 acres). The circumference of its wall is 14.9 km. long. The diameter of the walled city varies between 4.080 m. in the North-South direction and 5.000 m. in the East-West direction. The total area has been divided into six categories:

Cultivated Land is 66.2% of the total area within the city walls. Cultivated land is by far the most important category and comprises upland farms on light sandy soil farmed in the wet season, and lowland farms (fadama) characterized by heavier soil worked only during the dry season. (See Map A.2.1 page 385). Upland farms, 93.3% of the total cultivated land, are planted in rotation with millet, sorghum, guinea-corn and groundnuts, while on irrigated lowland farms (fadama), 6.7% of the total cultivated land, which are situated alongside river banks and in well-watered depressions, cash-crops such as sugar-cane, tobacco, rice and vegetables are produced.

Building-sites account for 18.6% of the total area within the city walls if we include the narrow footpaths between compounds in the densely built-up areas. Land use within compounds is separately discussed on pages 61 and 62.

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<sup>13/</sup> ROWLING, C.W. Report on Land Tenure Kano Province, Kaduna 1949 p. 51

Waste Land represents 9.1% of the enclosed area. Most of this land is uncultivable and consists of stony plots, land liable to irregular flooding, gullies and stretches of erosive slopes bordering the dilapidated town wall.

Roads If we define this to include all roads and tracks wide enough to carry motor vehicles, then 2.1% of the enclosed area is appropriated to these ends.

Rock Surfaces are 2.1% of the total area inside the walls. This includes patches of flat solid rock surface as well as two major areas of granite outcrops in the North-East area of the walled city.

Borrow-pits and Brooks account for 1.9% of the total area. However, this proportion represents the area under water in December 1963 which changes with the seasons. The many borrow-pits, created by the excavation of building material (mud), that contain stagnant water are typical of all Hausa towns and still constitute a large public health problem. (See Table A.2.2 on page 384).

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICSNigeria: The Demographic Situation

In 1972 the United Nations Statistical Office estimated the population of Africa at about 364 million or 9.6 per cent of the world's total population.<sup>1/</sup> According to the 1973 census, Nigeria had a population of 77.8 million representing about one fifth of the population on the African continent.<sup>2/</sup> Although this figure has been disputed, Nigeria is by far the most populous country in tropical Africa followed by Zaire with an estimated 23 million people in the early 1970's, the Sudan with 17 million, Tanzania 14 million, Kenya 12 million and Uganda with about 10 million.<sup>3/</sup> In spite of four national censuses taken in Nigeria during the last 20 years (1952/3, 1962, 1963, and 1973), it is still impossible to give even a reasonably accurate estimate of the size of the total population in the country. This is mainly due to the confusion of political with statistical issues particularly in the national censuses taken after 1960.<sup>4/</sup>

Crude population estimates with limited statistical value were conducted by the British colonial administration in 1911, 1921 and 1931 giving a total population of 16.0 million, 18.7 million and 20.0 million respectively.<sup>5/</sup> The first and still most detailed census was taken in

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<sup>1/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Demographic Year Book 1972 New York 1973, p. 119

<sup>2/</sup> AFRICA RESEARCH Ltd. Africa Research Bulletin Vol.11 No.7 1974 Exeter, England 1974 p. 3298

<sup>3/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Demographic Year Book 1972 op.cit., pp. 120-1

<sup>4/</sup> ALUKO, S.A. "How Many Nigerians? An Analysis of Nigeria's Census Problems, 1901-63" in The Journal of Modern African Studies Vol. 3 No. 3 1965, Cambridge 1965, pp. 371-92

<sup>5/</sup> DAILY TIMES Nigeria Year Book 1971 Lagos 1971, p. 21

JACOB, S.M. Census of Nigeria 1931 London 1933, p. 95

1952/3, counting a total population of 31.1 million including the Nigerian-Cameroons under U.K. trusteeship.<sup>6/</sup> During this census a broad system of age recording was adopted and included the age groups of 0-1, 2-6, 7-14, 15-49 and over 50. Further data were collected on ethnic groupings, occupations, literacy and religious beliefs. A national census taken in 1962 was never officially published, but unofficial sources give between 42 and 52 million as the country's total population.<sup>7/</sup> A new census taken in 1963 yielded a population of 55.6 million.<sup>8/</sup> This result was regarded by leading demographers as at least 10 per cent too high when compared with the 1952/3 census.<sup>9/</sup>

In spite of the confused situation an attempt was made by the United Nations Statistical Office in 1963, to project the population of Nigeria on the basis of a 2.4 per cent annual increase to 91.2 million in 1980.<sup>10/</sup> However, it should be remembered that the census data on which these calculations were based are open to criticism. The reasons being the manipulation of the 1962 and 1963 census results mainly for political gains, the lack of vital statistics such as mortality and fertility rates, and until an improved census has taken place the published demographic material on Nigeria must be considered with the utmost caution.<sup>11/</sup>

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<sup>6/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS NIGERIA Population Census of Nigeria 1952/3 Lagos 1956, p. 1

<sup>7/</sup> ALUKO, S.A. op cit., pp. 383-4

<sup>8/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of Nigeria 1963 Vol. 3 Lagos 1968, p. 7 (Mimeo)

<sup>9/</sup> BRASS, W. et al. The Demography of Tropical Africa Princeton U.P. 1968, pp. 6 & 515

<sup>10/</sup> UNITED NATIONS World Population Prospects as Assessed in 1963 New York 1965, ST/SOA/Series A/41 p. 142

<sup>11/</sup> WALLE, van de E. "Fertility in Nigeria" in Brass, W. et al. op cit., pp. 515-27

### Regional Distribution and Density

Until the creation of the 12 new states in May 1967, Nigeria was divided into three major regions. First, the Northern Region with a population of 29.8 million or 53.6 per cent of the total in 1963; second, the Western Region including the Colony with Lagos as well as the Mid-Western Region created in 1963, with 13.4 million or 24.1 per cent, and third the Eastern Region with 12.3 million or 11.3 per cent.

The density of population per square mile in the 26 provinces, as found in 1963, is summarised in Map A.3.1 on page 386. The map clearly shows three densely populated provinces which coincide with "key areas" in the country's cultural and economic geography. First, Kano Province in the former Northern Region with a density of 350 persons per sq.m.\* which is the centre of Nigeria's groundnut, cotton as well as hide and skin processing industries; second, the Western Region reaching 740 persons per sq.m.\* in Ibadan Province which is regarded as the central area of the cocoa producing belt, and third Owerri Province in the Eastern Region with a density of about 850 persons per sq.m.\* situated in the heart of the palm-tree belt. Central Nigeria including the former provinces of Adamawa, Benue, Ilorin, Kaba, Niger, Plateau and Sardauna show a remarkably low overall density of about 80 persons per sq.m.\* which still reflects tribal wars and slave-raiding activities by the Fulani Emirates in the last century.

### Ethnic Composition

Nigeria is composed of a heterogeneous population of over 35 major ethnic groups recorded in the 1963 census, of whom 13 accounted for over one per cent of the country's total population. They are: Hausa 20.9 per cent, Yoruba 20.3 per cent, Ibo 16.7 per cent, Fulani 8.6 per cent, Kanuri

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\* square mile

4.0 per cent, Ibibio 3.6 per cent, Tiv 2.5 per cent, Ijaw 1.9 per cent, Edo 1.7 per cent, Annang 1.2 per cent, Nupe 1.2 per cent, Urhobo 1.1 per cent and Igala with 1.0 per cent. The non-African population was represented only with 0.08 per cent of the total in Nigeria.<sup>12/</sup>

The ethnic composition of the population in the three former regions give a much clearer picture of the distribution of the major ethnic groups. According to the 1952/3 census report, no detailed data are available for 1963, the Hausa-Fulani group in the Northern Region was represented with 51.0 per cent, the Yoruba in the Western Region with 71.0 per cent and the Ibos in the Eastern Region with 68.0 per cent of the total regional population.

#### Age and Sex Distribution

In the 1963 census the distribution of age was recorded in five-year intervals and showed as many as 43.0 per cent of the total population to be under the age of 15. (See Table A.3.1 on page 387). This large proportion of young people is a salient feature of all rapidly developing countries in Africa and indicates a decreasing infant mortality rate combined with a high fertility rate in the recent past. The Gross Reproduction Rate (total number of live female births per woman) was estimated at 3.2 for Nigeria.<sup>13/</sup>

The sex distribution taken from the 1952/3 census was 957 males to 1,000 females or 49.0 per cent to 51.0 per cent, and in 1963 1,020 males to 1,000 females or 50.6 per cent to 49.4 per cent respectively.

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<sup>12/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of Nigeria 1963 op cit., p. 10

<sup>13/</sup> WALLE, van de E. op cit., p. 527



### Level of Urbanization

According to the 1963 census report, no detailed data are available for the 1973 census, nearly 11.0 million people or 19.2 per cent were living in urban centres of 20,000 or more inhabitants. The level of urbanization varies considerably from region to region. The census figures for 1963 show the ratio of urbanization as high as 45.8 per cent in the former Western Region, increasing to 53.9 per cent in Yorubaland which includes the former provinces of Oyo, Ibadan, Abeokuta, Ijebu, Ondo and the Colony, 11.4 per cent in the former Eastern Region and 10.5 per cent in the former Northern Region.<sup>14/</sup>

### ZARIA

#### Population Distribution

Zaria with an estimated 70,000 inhabitants in 1963<sup>15/</sup> can be divided into four main areas. First, the walled Hausa city with about 35,000 inhabitants or 50.0 per cent of the city's total population; second, the Sabon Gari or new town with c. 16,000 inhabitants or 22.8 per cent occupied by immigrants from southern Nigeria; third, Tudun Wada with about 14,000 inhabitants or 20.0 per cent the majority of whom are traders from other parts of northern Nigeria, and fourth the former European Township area with an estimated 5,000 inhabitants or 7.2 per cent of the total population at Zaria.

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<sup>14/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Annual Abstract of Statistics 1971 Lagos 1972 pp. 10, 12-4

<sup>15/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Demographic Year Book 1971 New York 1972 p. 354. The figure of 166,200 given as the population for Zaria in 1963, comprises the total urban population of Zaria Province

### Population Growth

The population at Zaria increased by about 2.5 per cent per annum over the last 20 years from 1950 to 1970. But there are marked differences in the pattern of growth between the walled city and the new urban areas which developed after the British occupation at the beginning of this century.

Both the Sabon Gari and Tudun Wada are typical immigrant communities with the characteristically rapid growth from a few hundred families in 1915, to 19,000 inhabitants in 1952/3, and an estimated 30,000 inhabitants in 1963. This represents an average growth rate of 3.5 to 4.0 per cent per annum. This development was interrupted when, after the disturbances in May and September 1966, nearly all Ibos left for the Eastern Region from where some have returned since the end of the civil war in January 1970.

The walled city after a decrease of population in the early days of colonial rule has grown rather slowly mainly through natural growth reaching a total population of 32,600 in 1952/3, 34,900 in 1963 and about 40,600 in 1968. The last figure was obtained from the population files of the four ward heads in the walled city and is most likely an underestimation. This also applies to the 1952/3 census figures which, when compared with the latest figures, showed an average growth rate of approximately 1.4 per cent per annum. This relatively slow increase is due to the still high infant mortality, the absence of any sizeable immigration and the emigration of young persons to new urban centres such as Kaduna and Jos which offer better employment opportunities. Assuming that this very modest growth rate will continue over the next 10 years, the population of the walled city will reach about 50,000 in 1980. (See Graph A.3.1 on page 389).

A comparison between the 1952/3 and the 1963 census results in different parts of Zaria City illustrates not only the various pattern of growth

discussed above, but also the areas where the 1963 census figures had been manipulated.

TABLE 3.1 Population Increase in Different Parts of Zaria City

	1952/3 Census <u>16/</u>	1963 Census <u>17/</u>	Annual growth in per cent
Walled City	32,560	34,870	0.62
Sabon Gari	10,720	15,870	3.61
Tudun Wada	8,420	37,360	14.55
Township Area	2,280	5,970	9.15
Total	53,980	94,070	

The Township Area and particularly Tudun Wada show a very large increase, and more realistic figures are most likely in the region of 5,000 and 12 to 14,000 inhabitants respectively.

#### Ethnic Composition

The ethnic composition of the Zaria City District which includes Tudun Wada and other nearby hamlets but not the Sabon Gari and the former European township area, is given in the 1952/3 census as follows:

Hausa 74.5 per cent, Fulani 18.9 per cent, other northern Nigerian tribes 3.8 per cent, other Nigerian tribes 2.7 per cent and non-Nigerians 0.02 per cent.<sup>18/</sup>

The ethnic composition of the Sabon Gari District was as follows:

Hausa 48.7 per cent, Ibo 20.6 per cent, Yoruba 12.1 per cent, Fulani 8.9 per cent, other northern Nigerian tribes 4.1 per cent, other Nigerian tribes 4.9 per cent, and non-Nigerians 0.7 per cent.<sup>19/</sup>

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<sup>16/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of Nigeria 1952/3 op cit., p. 37

<sup>17/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census Northern Region 1963 Vol. 1 Lagos 1968, p. 235 (Mimeo)

<sup>18/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of Northern Nigeria 1952 Bulletin No.4 Zaria Province, Kaduna 1956, p. 12.

<sup>19/</sup> Ibid. p.12

### Administrative Division

Zaria is divided into two administrative units, the new Township Area which could best be described as a municipal enclave within the Native Authority territory to which all other parts of the town belong.

The new Township Area was set up under the provision of the enlarged and amended Township Ordinance of 1963, and is under the control of a governing body known as Local Authority.<sup>20/</sup> It is run by an advisory board with its members drawn from a cross-section of the local community under the chairmanship of an administrative officer appointed by the Central Government.

The walled city, on the other hand, is governed by the Native Authority, which was introduced by F.D. Lugard in the first decade of the twentieth century. It consists of a Chief-in-Council, the Emir of Zaria, who presides over all meetings of the council which is composed of appointed and traditional members of the local community.

The walled city, the other areas do not concern us here, is subdivided into four wards (anguwa) each administered by a ward head known as mai-anguwa. (See Map A.3.3 on page 390). In 1968, the population of the four wards were as follows: Kwarbi 14,670 or 36.1 per cent of the total population in the walled city, Kaura 13,860 or 34.2 per cent, Ija 6,170 or 15.2 per cent and finally Juma with 5,900 or 14.5 per cent. These population figures were obtained from the tax and population files of the ward heads.

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<sup>20/</sup> NORTHERN STATES OF NIGERIA Local Government Year Book 1968 Kaduna 1968 p. 33

### SAMPLE SURVEY

The results of the sample survey regarding the age and sex distribution, ethnic composition and migration are discussed below. The number of people included in my survey was 1,067 or about 2.6 per cent of the total population in the walled city in 1968. However, a number of problems encountered during the collection of the demographic data must be briefly mentioned first.

#### Age and Sex Distribution

"All African demographic surveys share the problem of trying to record the ages of people who do not know their exact ages and are not fundamentally interested in knowing them."<sup>21/</sup> In order to overcome this problem, the so-called "Historical Calendar Method" was used. In this method, the age of people is linked to well-known historical events, thus older persons were asked to give their ages according to the reigns of local Emirs, or other widely known events such as the British occupation in 1902 and the outbreak of the Second World War. The ages of women could be further clarified by investigating the number and duration of her marriages as well as the ages of her first and last born child. However, it must be stressed that the age composition of people obtained in this way can never be accurate, but is probably better than could be achieved by any other known method.

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<sup>21/</sup> BRASS, W. et al. op cit., p. 13

In the following table the age distribution of the sample population is compared with the divisional census returns for Zaria Division in 1952/3 and 1963.

TABLE 3.2 Population Distribution by Age Groups in Percentages

	Zaria Div.1952/3 Tot.Pop. 795,900	Zaria Div.1963 Tot.Pop.1,183,100	Survey 1968 Tot.Pop.1,067
0 - 14	44.6	45.9	46.8
15 - 49	45.7	47.7	44.3
50 +	9.7	6.4	8.9
Male	48.6	49.6	45.2
Female	51.4	50.4	54.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

The divisional census data as well as my own survey data show the typical high proportion of young people. There was also an excess of females over males particularly in my survey data.

The amount of distortion which frequently occurs in African demographic data - including my own - can be linked to specific cultural conditions. For example, the tendency to under-report females in the age group 10 to 14, whereas the age groups 15 to 29 are correspondingly inflated. An explanation for this bias has been given in a number of census reports all of which agree that in countries where girls marry at an early age, usually between the age of 10 to 14,\* married girls under the age of 15 are unconsciously graded upwards, thus causing a serious imbalance in the sex ratio of the affected age groups.<sup>22/</sup>

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\* In the sample population all females over the age of 15 were married

<sup>22/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of the Northern Region of Nigeria 1952 Kaduna 1956 pp. 8-9

ZANZIBAR PROTECTORATE Report on the (1958) Census of the Population of Zanzibar Protectorate Zanzibar 1960, p. 27

SERVICE DE STATISTIQUE HAUTE-VOLTA La situation démographique en Haute-Volta, Resultats partiels de l'Enquete démographique 1960-61, Paris 1962, p. 29

BOUTILLIER, J.L. et al. La Moyenne Vallée du Sénégal Paris 1962 p. 26

The sex and age distribution of the sample population is shown in Diagram A.3.1 on page 388. As indicated on the bar-chart, the distorted sex ratio of the sample population is due to three main reasons. First, in spite of careful age recording there is a certain amount of differential age misreporting in both sexes but more noticeably so in the female age groups 10 to 29. Second, the excess of females over males in the age groups 20 to 29 may be partly caused by the large number of polygamous marriages recorded in the sample,\* and third part of the imbalance may be caused by the emigration of males in the age group 20 to 24 to new urban centres such as Kaduna and Jos which offer better employment opportunities.

#### Ethnic Composition

The ethnic composition of the survey population showed the expected close resemblance to the figures given for Zaria City District on page and were as follows: 79.6 per cent Hausa, 16.8 per cent Fulani, 1.4 per cent other northern Nigerian tribes and 2.5 per cent other Nigerian tribes.

#### Migration

Immigration has been of limited importance in the sample population. Only 125 persons, 55 males and 70 females or 11.7 per cent of the sample were born outside the walled city. Most of these came as children or in their early teens. By far the most important group of immigrants were wives. Altogether 46 female were counted of whom the majority came from Zaria and other northern provinces, but several came from farther afield including 6 from Ibadan and one from Fort-Lamy in the Republic of Chad. A second

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\* See page 70

group consisted of 22 male and female children who had been adopted by their relatives in the walled city. A total of 13 compound heads born outside the city are of interest, 6 came from Zaria Province, 3 from Kano Province, 2 from Plateau Province and one each from Katsina and Ibadan. Their average age was 39.7 years, while the average number of years spent in the walled city was 26.8.

Only 7 adult males including 4 mallams, 2 traders and one embroiderer had immigrated in the last 10 years. The motivation given for coming to Zaria was in the case of the mallams better teaching opportunities, the rest gave economic reasons.

In conclusion, contemporary Zaria contains two contrasting types of urban settlements; first, the traditional pre-industrial walled city, where all the houses included in my survey were chosen from, and second, a new technological advanced urban area. The new town has grown rapidly mainly due to large-scale immigration from the southern part of Nigeria, whereas the population of the walled city has increased rather slowly. The age distribution of the sample population showed with 46.8 per cent a high proportion of young people under the age of 15. The absence of any sizeable male immigration combined with the slow integration of newcomers into the community, has preserved the traditional urban community in the walled city more or less intact.



THE COMPOUNDLay-out and Organization

The following description of the lay-out and organization of compounds in Zaria walled city is a necessary introduction of the discussion on domestic groupings.

The Moslem religion has had a considerable influence on the lay-out of compounds, particularly in the urban areas of Hausaland. Polygamy and the different modes of religious marriages, of which auren kulle and auren tsare lay great emphasis on complete or partial seclusion of women respectively, require a high degree of privacy which, combined with the genuine desire for security in pre-colonial times, has produced the present day compound with several courtyards surrounded by high mud walls.

A compound (gida, pl. gidaje) is usually divided into a forecourt (kofar gida) and the central courtyard (cikin gida) which contains several huts inhabited by a family or group of families which are descended from common ancestors. The only access into the compound is through a zaure or entrance hut which is the domain of the compound head (maigida). Here he entertains his visitors and friends, takes his meals and, if possible, pursues his craft such as weaving, tailoring or teaching the Koran. The entrance hut may also be used as a sleeping room for students and other overnight guests. The door leading from here into the interior is always covered with a straw mat to prevent male visitors from looking into the forecourt. No male stranger is normally allowed further into the compound, but all females and boys under the age of puberty are free to enter the house.

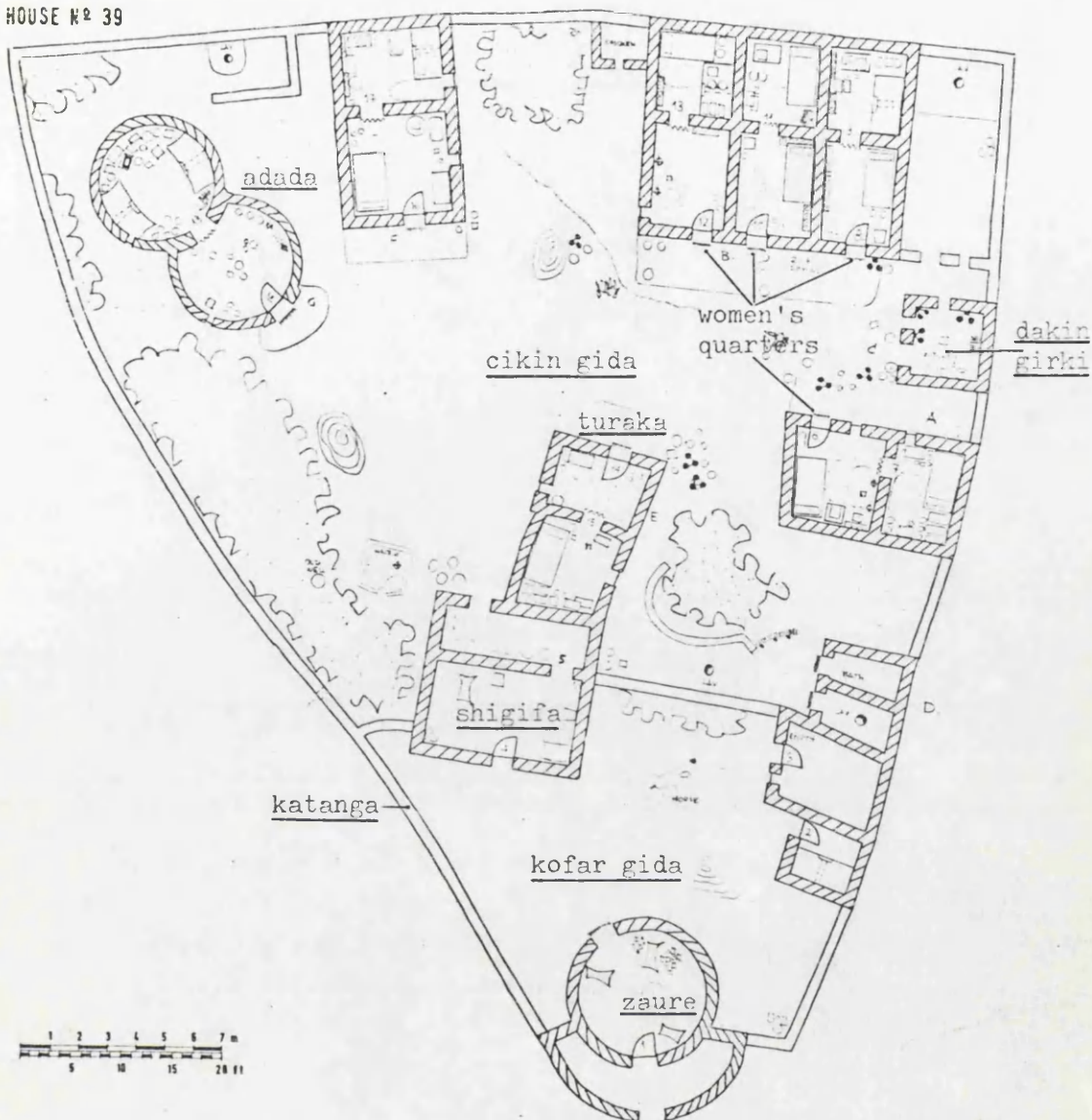
The forecourt (kofar gida) functions as an intermediate zone between the outside world and the centre of the compound. The huts found here house the compound's adolescent unmarried sons. If the compound head possesses a horse it is usually tethered in the forecourt. The second entrance hut (shigifa) which gives access to the centre courtyard of the compound is sometimes divided into a larger room which is often used as an additional sitting room, and a smaller interior one which is always used as a store-room for mortars, large pots and other heavy kitchen equipment.

The centre courtyard of the compound (cikin gida) contains the compound head's hut (turaka), the rooms of his wife or wives grouped around an open area with a wet season kitchen (dakin girki), one or two general store-rooms and the huts of any other related family group or groups. Poultry pens and granaries (if any) are always located in the cikin gida. Since the women's quarters are segregated, nearly every compound in Zaria walled city has at least one pit-latrine, a washing place and a well. (See House No. 39 on page 60).

This is the usual lay-out of a compound but there are great variations in size, number of rooms and type of construction depending on the wealth and status of its inhabitants. A poor man's compound may not have a second entrance hut, no wet season kitchen and no separate room for the compound head, while a well-to-do man may have a compound with several entrance huts, a two storey building (bene- the upper storey) covered with a corrugated iron roof and richly decorated outside walls. In areas where building space is limited the forecourt may be replaced by a succession of small rooms which give access to the cikin gida, while in some compounds the wives' rooms are built around a central hall which serves as a common working, sitting and storage place. (See House No. 78 on page 60).

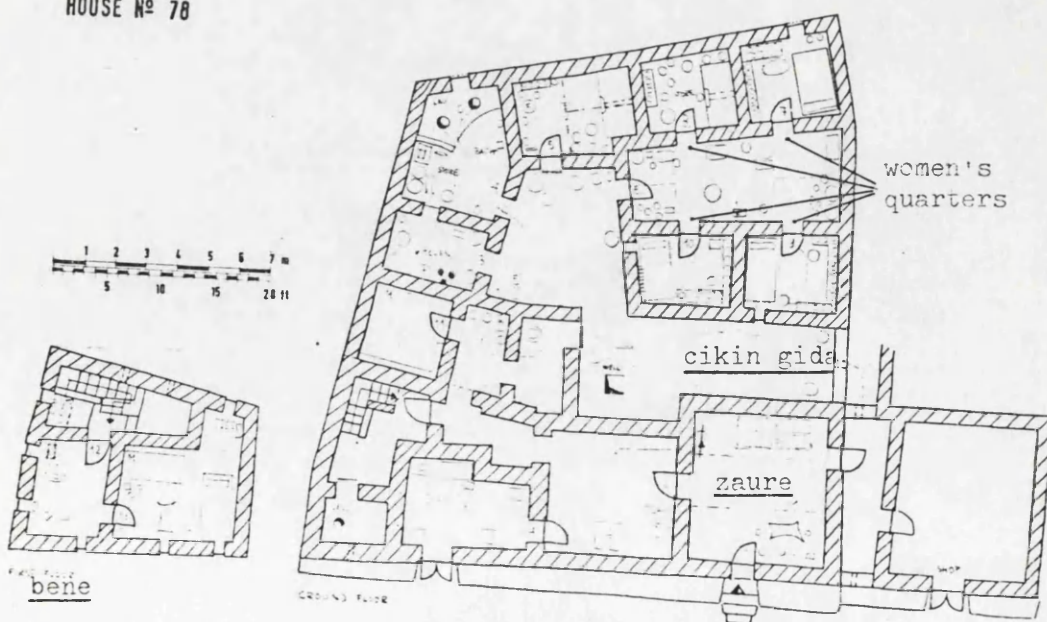
PLAN 4.1 House 39

HOUSE № 39



PLAN 4.2 House 78

HOUSE № 78



Most rooms are sparsely furnished. People are accustomed to sit and work on grass mats or goatskins which cover part of the floor, and the only built-in equipment is a raised earthen bed. Better off people may have an additional wooden or iron bed. A typical woman's room may also contain an upright loom, a low round wooden stool, a small table and a collection of various pots, baskets and calabashes. A cement platform in front of the room is used as an outside working place for food preparation, cooking and handicrafts, as well as to dry rice and/or pepper.

#### Land Use Inside the Compound

The data on land use given below derive from measurements taken in 77 compounds surveyed in the walled city. These compounds have a total area of 47,552 sq.m. which is divided into the open area of 31,284 sq.m. or 65.8 per cent, and the built-up area of 16,268 sq.m. or 34.2 per cent. The average size of these compounds was about 620 sq.m. or 6,670 sq.ft.

The open area of 31,284 sq.m. is sub-divided into five categories. First, the general courtyard area which accounted for 76.4 per cent of the total open area. This includes all unpaved areas not used for any particular purpose. In 65 compounds about one quarter of this area has been set aside for further construction should the need arise, whereas in 12 compounds with an average open area of only about 9.0 sq.m. per person no expansion was possible without demolishing an old building.

Second, cultivated land accounted for 13.1 per cent of the total open area. Cultivated land found in 44 compounds was almost exclusively used for growing hemp (cannabis sativa). The average area per compound was 93.0 sq.m., but in six compounds over 300.0 sq.m. were found under cultivation, some areas concealed behind specially built high mud walls.

Third, cement platforms accounted for 6.8 per cent of the open area. The use of cement platforms particularly in front of rooms has already been mentioned earlier. In 63 compounds at least one cement platform was found, the average area being 34.0 sq.m.

Fourth, pit-latrines and personal washing places covered 3.2 per cent of the total open area. Pit-latrines and personal washing places are usually located behind sleeping rooms. These areas, which are specially screened off with mud walls or zana matting, accounted for an average of 14.0 sq.m. per compound; the average number of pit-latrines was 2.5 per compound.

Fifth, storage space accounted for only 0.5 per cent of the total open area. The most frequently stored items were building materials, firewood and old clay pots, the average area per compound was 4.3 sq.m. (See Table A.4.1 on page 392 ).

#### Type and Size of Rooms

The built-up area in 77 compounds contained 1,284 rooms or 16.8 per compound. The total floor area of 10,473 sq.m. was divided into four categories.

First, living area which accounted for 67.6 per cent of the total floor area. This category includes all sleeping and sitting rooms, as well as store-rooms used for personal articles. With a total of 883 rooms, this is by far the most important group.

Second, commonly used rooms accounted for 16.1 per cent of the total floor area. This category includes 71 main entrance huts,\* 91 second entrance huts (shigifa), and all staircases and passages.

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\* Seven entrance huts were used for sleeping, and one compound has two entrance huts.

Third, basic ancillary facilities covered 12.5 per cent of the total floor area. This includes 97 kitchens, 64 general store-rooms and 29 toilets and/or bathrooms.

Fourth, commercially used rooms accounted for 3.8 per cent of the total floor area. This includes 9 shops or workshops, 9 storage rooms used for trading commodities, 3 garages and 19 permanent stables for horses, donkeys, goats and sheep. (See Table A.4.2 on page 393).

#### SOCIAL STRUCTURE AND KINSHIP ORGANIZATION

In the following pages the social structure of the sample population will be analysed in order to show the principles which govern the development of co-residential kinship groups in Zaria walled city. The main features of Hausa kinship organization and marriage was investigated by M.G. Smith in various rural and urban communities in the Emirate of Zaria in 1949-50, and provided the basis for my own investigation as well as an excellent opportunity for cross-checking.<sup>1/</sup>

In this study the unit of analysis is the population of a compound divided into households or economic units. However, as household data alone are insufficient to explain the changes which frequently occur in co-residential groups, some additional kinship data, based on a common reference point - in our case relations with the compound head - are essential. This will enable us later to illustrate the cyclic tendency which regulates the development of co-residential kinship groups.

The first essential step in the study of kinship organization is the identification of the compound head by uniform criteria. In the Hausa-Fulani community at Zaria, the status and role of the compound head is clearly defined and receives explicit socio-political recognition and

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<sup>1/</sup> SMITH, M.G. The Economy of the Hausa Communities of Zaria London 1955, pp. 4-48

support. In the absence of house-numbers, a compound in the walled city of Zaria is generally known by the name of its present head who is usually the senior resident male in age and status. He is responsible for the payment of tax due from all male residents and is consulted by the Authority in all matters concerning the compound and its inhabitants. To identify the head of a chosen compound these external criteria were used even though they did not always reflect the internal distribution of authority which, in a few cases lay with younger brothers of the head, or was divided between full or half brothers living in the same compound. Changes in headship which always occur after the death of the compound head and are accompanied by a re-definition of the relations between members of a kinship group may thus lead to a split of the old group and the establishment of a new one elsewhere by the secession of some households.

Before going into these matters it is necessary to define the terms "individual family" and "household" as used in this analysis. The term individual family (iyali) denotes both monogamous and polygamous families consisting of a man, his wife or wives, and their children real or adopted; but in 19 cases of the sample the man's widowed mother was also included. A household, on the other hand, is a separate unit of domestic economy consisting of all persons who eat together from the same pot (tukunya) dwell together in one part of the compound known as sassa, and who contribute in kind, labour and/or money to the household budget. A further distinction should be made between the compound head (maigida) and his immediate household, and the heads of all other dependent or semi-dependent households living in the compound. The compound head is clearly distinguished by his capacity to take independent action which may include the building of new rooms or the accommodation of other family members,

whereas dependent or semi-dependent household heads cannot make these decisions independently without infringing on the compound head's authority.

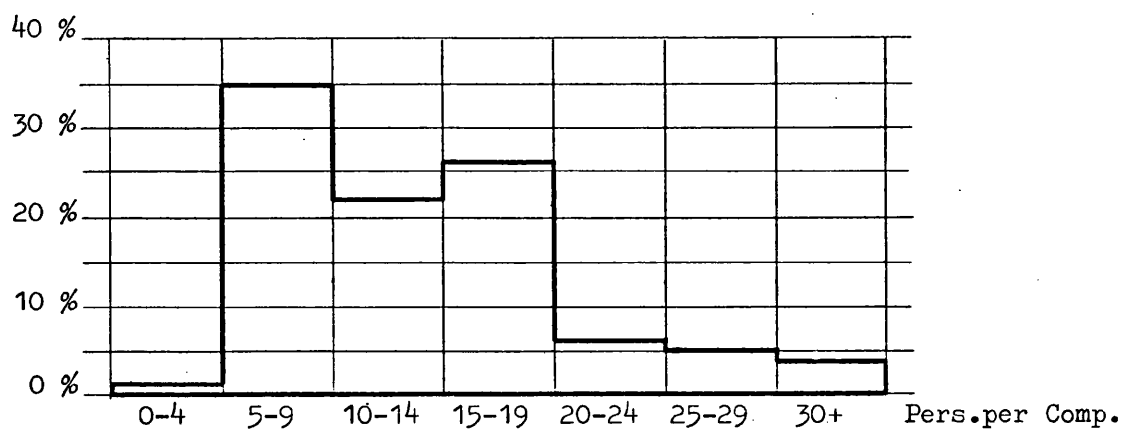
If the inhabitants of a compound depend largely on agriculture as a means of livelihood, they may form a single work-unit known as gandu which then consists of all the adult males and their families. During the rainy season from May to September, individual families within a gandu farm a common field and cook together, their common meals being prepared in turn by each of the members' wives until the harvest is over. In the dry season each household head may pursue his own occupation such as weaving, embroidery, trading or teaching the Koran, and at this time each household operates a separate domestic economy. However, at Zaria walled city only four compounds each with one gandu were found although the survey was carried out during the rainy season. In all other compounds surveyed, the various household heads farmed their plots independently either with the help of an unmarried son or with paid labour (kodago). In the majority of cases the commercial or subsistence crops are essential income which is supplemented by non-agricultural activities that are also pursued during the rains at reduced rates, and often exclusively after the harvest. It is evident, that the gandu as a work-unit for the common production and consumption of food, plays a far less important role in the walled city than in the rural areas, but the basic idea remains. For example, in some compounds token exchanges of cooked food amongst the different branches of the family are practised, and all will co-operate to repair the compound wall, and to rebuild commonly used rooms. Before the first marriage of a young male compound member all resident household heads are expected to contribute towards the bride-price and later towards the construction of the new hut for the young couple.



Population and Household Data

The population distribution of 77 compounds surveyed in Zaria is given below.

DIAGRAM 4.1    Number of Persons per Compound in Percentages

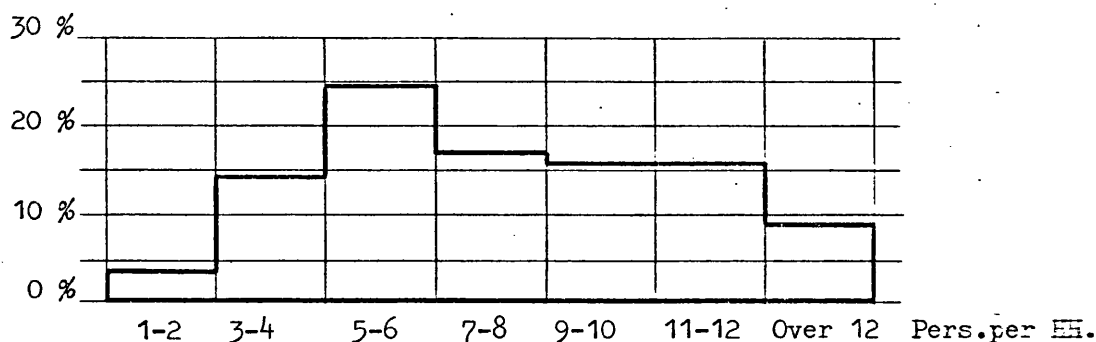


The majority of the sample compounds (83.0 per cent) have populations that range between 5 and 19 persons, the average being 13.8 per compound. However, there were 3 compounds which had 34, 38 and 39 persons respectively, the largest containing the family of a former District Head.

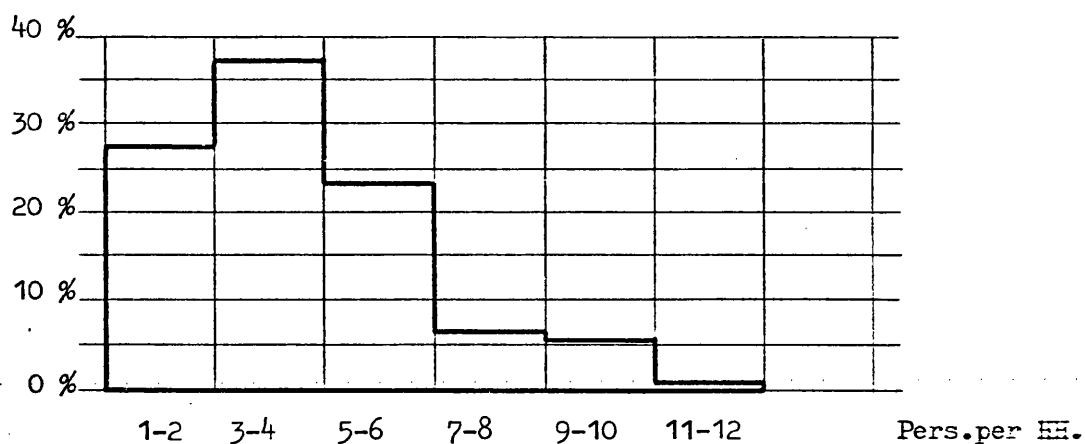
The following diagrams compare the size of compound heads' households with those of all other dependent or semi-dependent households found in the compounds surveyed.

DIAGRAM 4.2    Number of Persons per Household in Percentages

a. Compound Heads' Households (77)



b. Dependent or Semi-Dependent Households (114)



The remarkable differences in household size are important, particularly the high proportion 57.2 per cent of compound heads' households with more than 6 persons. Dependent or semi-dependent households of the same size are represented only by 12.4 per cent. The average size of compound heads' households was found to be 7.8 persons, whereas dependent or semi-dependent households had on average only 4.1 persons. (See Table A.4.5 on page 395).

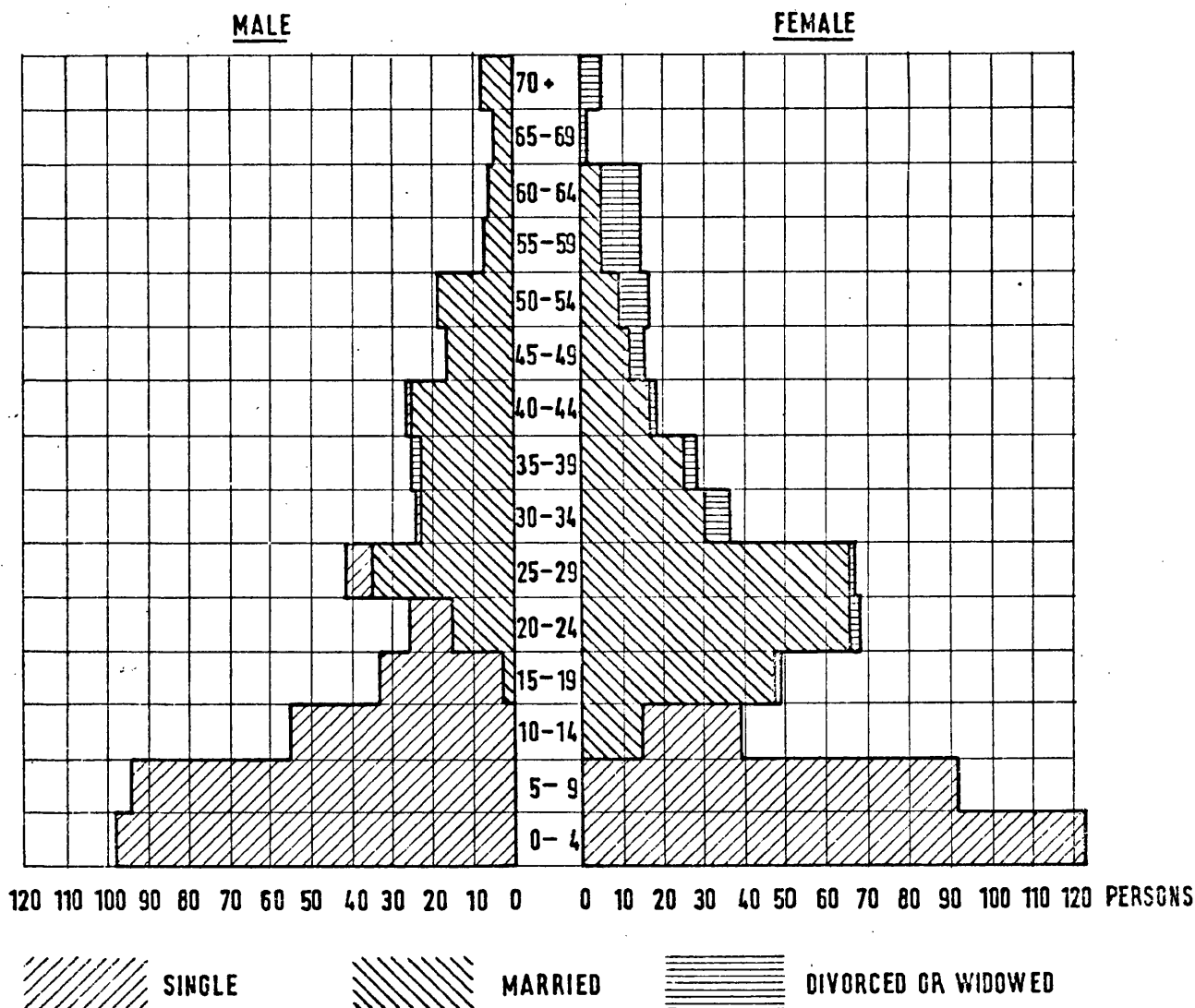
— These differences in household size are partly due to the fact that the latter type consists mainly of "young households". For example, only 5.1

per cent of all wives of dependent household heads have passed childbearing age (40 plus), as against 24.3 per cent of all compound heads' wives.

(For the age distribution of compound and dependent household heads see Table A.4.6 on page 392). Furthermore, the generally lower income of dependent household heads, a topic which will be discussed in the next chapter, tends to limit, at least temporarily, the number of children in these households.

The age and sex distribution as well as the marital status of the sample population are given in Diagram 4.3 and Table 4.1 on page 69 . The bar-chart indicates that females marry early. About 36.0 per cent of all females between the age of 10 and 14 were already married, and there were no unmarried females over the age of 15. Males, on the other hand, marry on average later normally between the age of 20 and 29.

The number of 51 resident divorced and/or widowed females is noteworthy. Further study shows that of these females, 19 were the widowed mothers of compound heads, while 4 were widowed mothers of compound heads' half brothers and one the compound head's grandmother. The majority of these females will probably stay with their next of kin, whereas a large proportion of the remaining 27 females will marry again and leave the compound. (For more detailed information see Table A.4.4 on page 394 ).

**DIAGRAM 4.3** Survey Sample Population by Sex, Age and Marital Status**TABLE 4.1** Survey Sample Population by Sex, Age and Marital Status

Age	Male					Female					G. Total
	Sing	Mar.	Div.	Wid.	Total	Sing	Mar.	Div.	Wid.	Total	
0- 4	98				98	122				122	220
5- 9	94				94	91				91	185
10-14	55				55	25	14			39	94
15-19	30	3			33		48	1		49	82
20-24	11	15			26		66	2		68	94
25-29	6	35			41		66	1		67	108
30-34	1	23			24		30	3	3	36	60
35-39		23	2		25		25	1	2	28	53
40-44	1	25			26		17	1		18	44
45-49		16			16		11	2	3	16	32
50-54		18			18		9		8	17	35
55-59		7			7		5		9	14	21
60-64		6			6		5		9	14	20
65-69		5			5				1	1	6
70+		8			8				5	5	13
Total	296	184	2		482	238	296	11	40	585	1,067

The following table gives the number of wives per compound head (maigida) and all other dependent or semi-dependent household heads (mai-iyali).

TABLE 4.2 Distribution of Wives per Married Man

Column	1		2		3	
Type of Household	Com. Head		Dep. HH.*		Total HH.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Male with 1 wife	25	32.9	90	78.9	115	60.5
Male with 2 wives	32	41.1	19	16.7	51	26.9
Male with 3 wives	12	15.8	5	4.4	17	8.9
Male with 4 wives	7	9.2			7	3.7
Total	76**	100.0	114	100.0	190	100.0
No. of wives	153		143		296***	
Percent. of males in polygamous fam.		67.1		21.1		39.5
Percent. of females in polygamous fam.		83.7		37.1		61.1
Av. no. of wives per married man	2.0		1.3		1.6	

\*Includes strangers' households

\*\*One compound head was a widowed female

\*\*\*Eight wives were temporarily absent

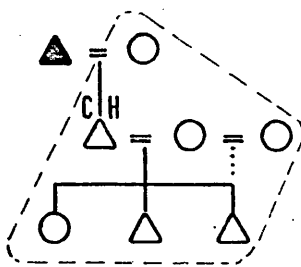
The differences between the number of wives married by compound heads and all other dependent household heads is noteworthy and show the dominant economic positions of compound heads as well as the prestige of polygamous marriage. The 5 dependent household heads with three wives each directed economically independent households whose cash income exceeded that of their compound heads.

As shown in Table A.4.3 and A.4.4 on page 394, adoption (tallafi) is widely practised in Zaria, but generally restricted to children of members of the kinship group including the kinship group of wives. Women usually

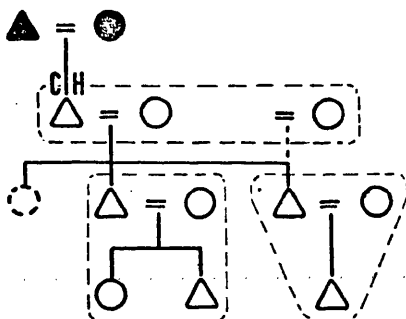
adopt girls and men boys. Of the 88 adopted children (44 boys and 44 girls) in 77 compounds surveyed, 75 children were adopted by the compound head and his wife or wives. The male children most commonly adopted were sons of the compound heads' brothers (20), and the sons of compound heads' sisters (5). The most commonly adopted female children were the daughters of compound heads' wives' brothers (15), followed by the daughters of the compound heads' brothers (5), and the daughters of compound heads' sons (5).

#### Family Groupings

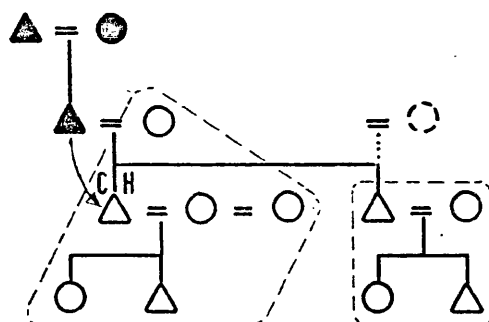
In the following pages I will analyse the structure, size and development of co-residential kinship groups. I will also show how certain changes in the structure and size of kinship groups affect the lay-out and occupational patterns of compounds in the walled city of Zaria. The majority of kinship groups surveyed, are based on agnatic descent. The development of these kinship groups can best be illustrated by a succession of simplified diagrams that describe successive stages in the growth of agnatic kinship groups among the Hausa. For exposition, the kinship diagrams shown below are given in their simplest essentials, whereas in real life we often find a compound head with up to four wives, more than one married son with two or more wives, several married full and/or half brothers, their wives and children, as well as various cousins and their descendants living together in one compound. In the following diagrams, the compound head (CH) has two wives and two or three children, while other married men have only one wife and one or two children apiece. The aim of these diagrams is to illustrate the cyclic tendency which regulates the development of agnatic kinship groups, and to expose the factors that limit the expansion of these groups.

DIAGRAM 4.4    Stage 1    Kinship Development

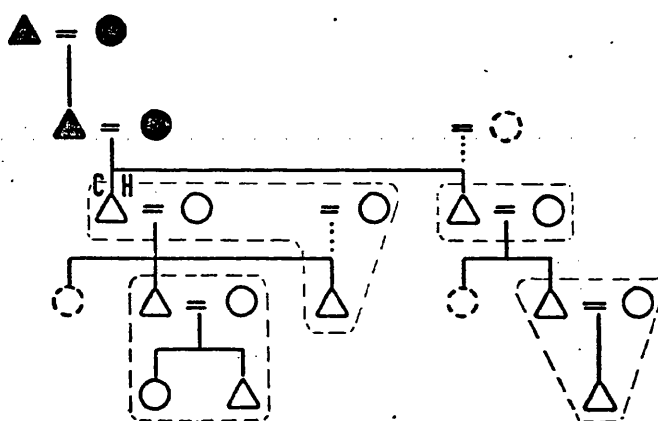
Kinship groups of this type were found in 31 compounds containing 31 households or 17.2 per cent of all related households included in the sample. However, strangers' and clients' households which do not influence nor contribute to the development of co-residential kinship groups are omitted here but will be analysed separately later.

DIAGRAM 4.5    Stage 2    Kinship Development

The second stage of kinship development is reached when one or more sons of the compound head have married and form, as shown in the diagram, two or more semi-dependent households under the leadership of their father. The compound head's daughter will have left the house on her marriage. In rural areas this type of family grouping provides the natural basis for a gandu under the guidance of the compound head who normally will pay the tax for his sons. Kinship groups of this type were found in 9 compounds containing 27 households or 15.0 per cent of all related households.

DIAGRAM 4.6    Stage 3    Kinship Development

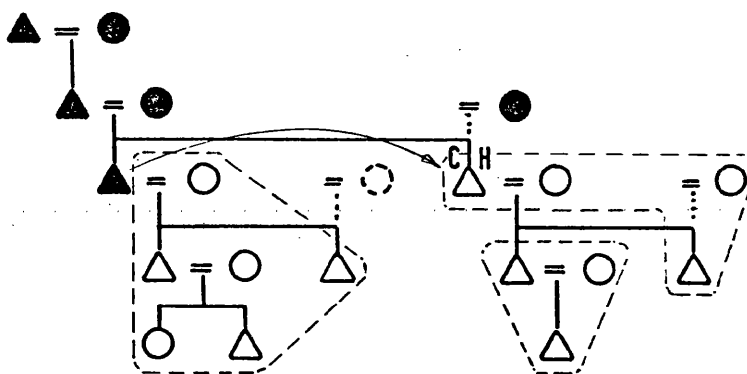
The death of the compound head gives rise to the third stage in the development of co-residential units by converting it into a grouping of collateral agnates and their families, with the older brother usually succeeding as compound head. After the mourning period is over, barren and junior widows of the dead compound head will normally leave the house for re-marriage. This type of kinship group was found in 17 compounds with 41 households or 22.8 per cent of all related households.

DIAGRAM 4.7    Stage 4    Kinship Development



The fourth stage in the development of co-residential kinship groups is reached when the new compound head's son and/or one of the full or half brothers' sons have married. As always, since women move to their husbands' homes, the marriage of girls reared in the compound does not affect the structure of agnatic kinship groups. As shown in the diagram, the two daughters have left their fathers' house on marriage. "Stage-four-groups" are usually large co-residential groups with complex kinship networks and average a population of 24.2 persons per compound. These extended collateral families are of particular interest because their internal structure normally generates a split of the old kinship group and the establishment of a new residential unit, which then begins the cycle at stage one as shown above. Co-residential kinship groups of this type were found in 11 compounds containing 57 households or 31.6 per cent of all related households.

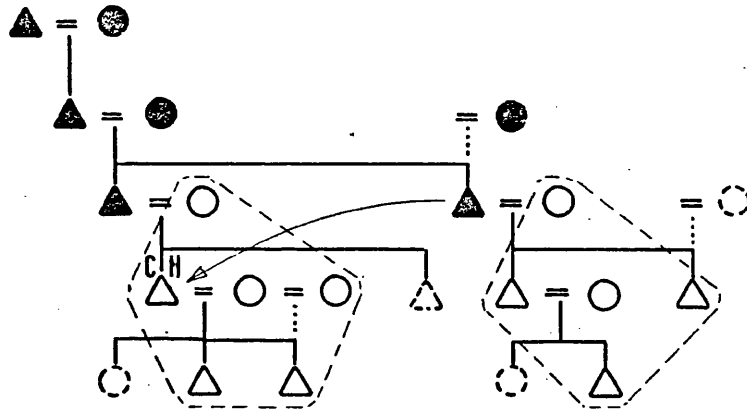
DIAGRAM 4.8    Stage 5    Kinship Development



After the death of the compound head his senior surviving brother takes over the responsibility for the co-residential kinship group. At this stage, divergence of interest and ensuing friction amongst the various household heads may result in the split of the kinship group. Groups of this type were found in one compound with 5 households or 2.8 per cent of all related households included in the sample. However, it must be stressed here, that a division of a co-residential kinship group can occur at

earlier stages when, for example, the compound head has built a new compound for his eldest son, or if one of the dependent household heads has become economically independent and wishes to build a compound of his own.

DIAGRAM 4.9    Stage 6    Kinship Development



Stage six shows a relatively rare combination of parallel agnatic cousins and their families living together in one compound. The two household heads are related through agnates in the second degree of kinship, and this was the widest span of kinship that formed a basis for a co-residential group observed in the survey. Groups of this type were found in one compound with 3 households or 1.7 per cent of all related households included in my survey.

To summarize, a total of 31 households or 17.2 per cent of all related households included in the survey lived in kinship groups at stage 1, i.e. the compound head, his wife or wives and their own unmarried children, whereas 133 households or 73.9 per cent lived in composite co-residential kinship groups which had developed under the rules of patrilineal descent; but there were 7 compounds with 16 households or 8.9 per cent which did not. These 7 compounds contained 9 households which had joined these compounds and increased their populations by immigration and not by natural growth.

Except for the last discussed category, the individual family as a separate residential unit represents the first and simplest stage in the developmental cycle that gives rise to composite co-residential kinship groups which often contains three or more generations of males linked in direct line of descent. In the second stage these kinship groups consist of the families of the compound head and his son or sons. As time passes and the compound head dies, this re-constitutes the residential unit as a kinship group composed of siblings, whose deaths in due course redefines the unit as one of paternal cousins. This development has been further illustrated by tabulating the ages of compound heads at each stage of development in Table 4.3 on page 77.


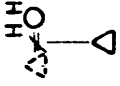

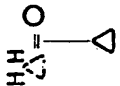

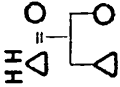
As expected, heads of compounds in stage 1, 3 and 6 tend to be generally younger than their counterparts in stage 2, 4 and 5. In the second part of the table the average number of households per compound increases from 1 household in stage 1 to 5.2 households in stage 4 and 5. The same upward tendency can be observed in the average number of persons per compound which rises from 7.7 persons in stage 1 to 24.2 persons in stage 4 and 5. The average number of persons per household, on the other hand, shows the reverse tendency by falling from 7.7 persons in stage 1 to 4.7 persons in stage 4 and 5. This fall in the number of persons per household is clearly due to the emigration of larger dependent households. The number of households in stage 6 are too small for generalization although the 3 households found in this category do not basically depart from the earlier observed patterns.

As has been shown above, the death of the compound head, lack of space for new construction, internal tension between group members and differential economic success achieved by junior heads of dependent or semi-dependent households are the major reasons for emigration of

TABLE 4.3 Age of Compound Heads by Stages of Kinship Development

Column	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Stage	1	2	3	4 + 5	6	Joint H.H.	Total
Age of C.H.							
20-24	1						1
25-29	2		3			1	6
30-34	3		3		1	2	9
35-39	4		1				5
40-44	8		3	1			13
45-49	5	1	3	1		2	12
50-54	2	1	2	3		1	9
55-59	2	2	1	2			7
60-64	3	1		1		1	6
65-69	1		1	1			3
70+		3		3			6
No. of Comp.H.	31	9	17	12	1	7	77
No. of H.H.	31	27	41	62	3	16	180
No. of Persons	240	141	244	290	28	85	1,028
Av. Househ. Per Compound	1.0	3.0	2.4	5.2	3.0	2.3	2.3
Av. Persons per Compound	7.7	15.7	14.4	24.2	28.0	12.1	13.4
Av. Persons per Househ.	7.7	5.2	5.9	4.7	9.3	5.3	5.7
Kinship Diagrams							

TABLE 4.4 Structure of Strangers' Families

Column	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Type of Households	Single	Div.	Wid.	Female with temp. Absent Hus.	Childless Couples	Individual Families	Female HH.	Male HH.	Grand Total HH.
Age of Str. Househ. Heads									
15-19				1			1		1
20-24						1		1	1
25-29						1		1	1
30-34						1		1	1
35-39		1			1			2	2
40-44						3		3	3
45-49						1		1	1
50-54						1		1	1
55-59									
60-64									
65-69									
70+									
Total M+F							1	10	
Number of Households		1		1	1	8			11
Number of Persons		2		2	2	33			39
Av. Persons per Household		2.0		2.0	2.0	4.1			3.5
Kinship Diagrams									

dependent households which can occur at any stage of the kinship development described above but particularly in stage 4. However, such centrifugal tendencies are counterbalanced to some degree by adoption, the mode of land tenure (commonly owned land), and, especially in poorer lineages, by the need to live and work together to ensure at least some degree of economic security.

Thus far we have discussed those co-residential kinship groups which contained the compound head and other related dependent or semi-dependent households but we must now briefly consider the 11 client\* and strangers' households which were found in 8 out of 77 compounds surveyed. All of these household heads had immigrated to Zaria. In Table 4.4 on page 78 these 11 households have been divided into 4 main categories based on kinship organization. The first category (column 1-3) has heads who are either single, divorced or widowed, the second category contains female heads whose husbands have been absent for more than one month preceding the time of the interview, the third category consists of couples without children including those whose children were away, while the fourth category contains individual families. As can be seen, there were one divorced household head, one wife whose husband was temporarily absent and one childless couple. The remaining 8 households consisted of individual families.

#### Compound and Kinship Organization

In the following pages I will relate some of the facts which emerged from the discussion on household pattern and kinship organization to a number of compounds surveyed in Zaria. Altogether, two case studies

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\*The head of a client household is an unrelated servant who joined the compound in his early teens and for whom the compound head has provided a wife and free shelter.

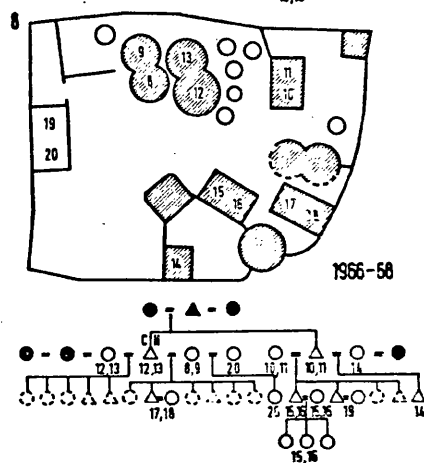
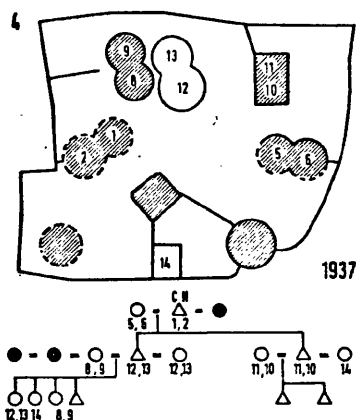
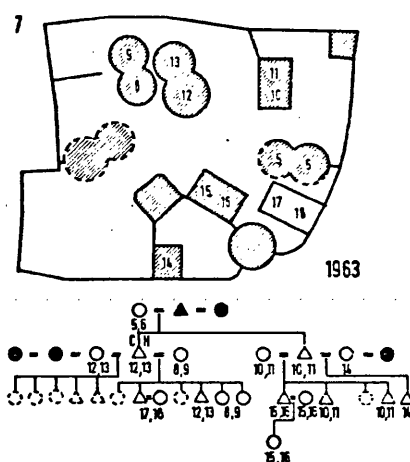
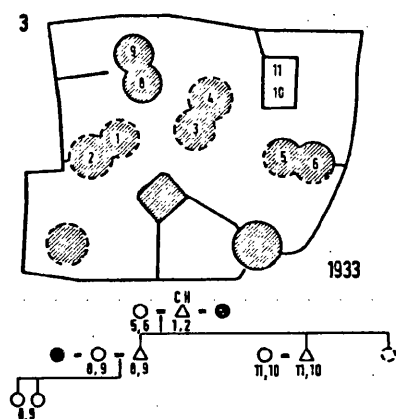
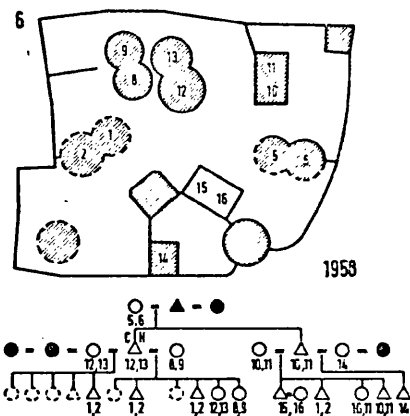
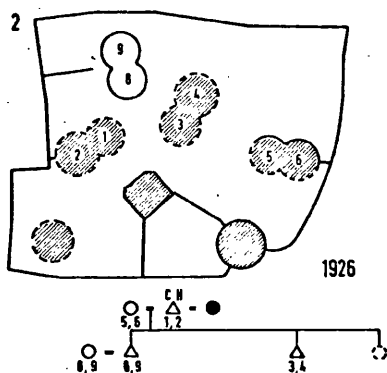
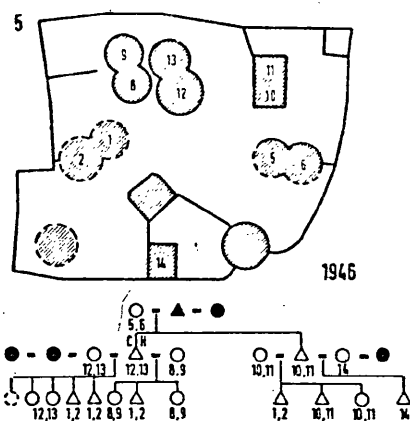
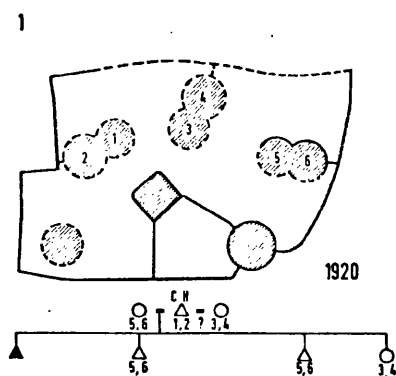
have been chosen from the sample to illustrate various stages in the development of co-residential agnatic kinship groups and the repercussions of these developments on the lay-out and size of compounds.

The first example represents a compound situated in the southern parts of the walled city which has belonged to a family of weavers for several generations. With the help of the compound head and the older kinsmen, the history of this compound and its inhabitants was traced backwards to the turn of this century when the present compound head was born. The kinship pattern and the architectural development of the compound were compiled independently for the given time span and then compared, all apparent inconsistencies found being discussed with the compound head to make whatever corrections were necessary.

According to the compound head, his father had rebuilt the compound around 1900 shortly before the British occupation. There the old man lived with his wives and children in three double-round huts, (adada) which are indicated in the plan by dotted lines. There was also some uncertainty about the father's second wife and the number of children by this marriage. The plan and the kinship diagrams are therefore incomplete for the early stages of the compound's history. Nevertheless, from the data collected it was possible to produce a series of plans showing the development of this compound from about 1920 to 1968.

After the First World war the compound was occupied by one individual family, it illustrated stage 1 in the kinship development discussed above. In 1926 when the first born son of the compound head married, the co-residential kinship group had reached stage 2. Following an extension of the compound area, a hut with two rooms was built for the young couple. The marriage of the compound head's second son in 1933 led to the construction of a new hut. Between 1935 and 1937 three more rooms were

Diagram  
4.10  
House 68.



See also Plan A.4.1 on page 396

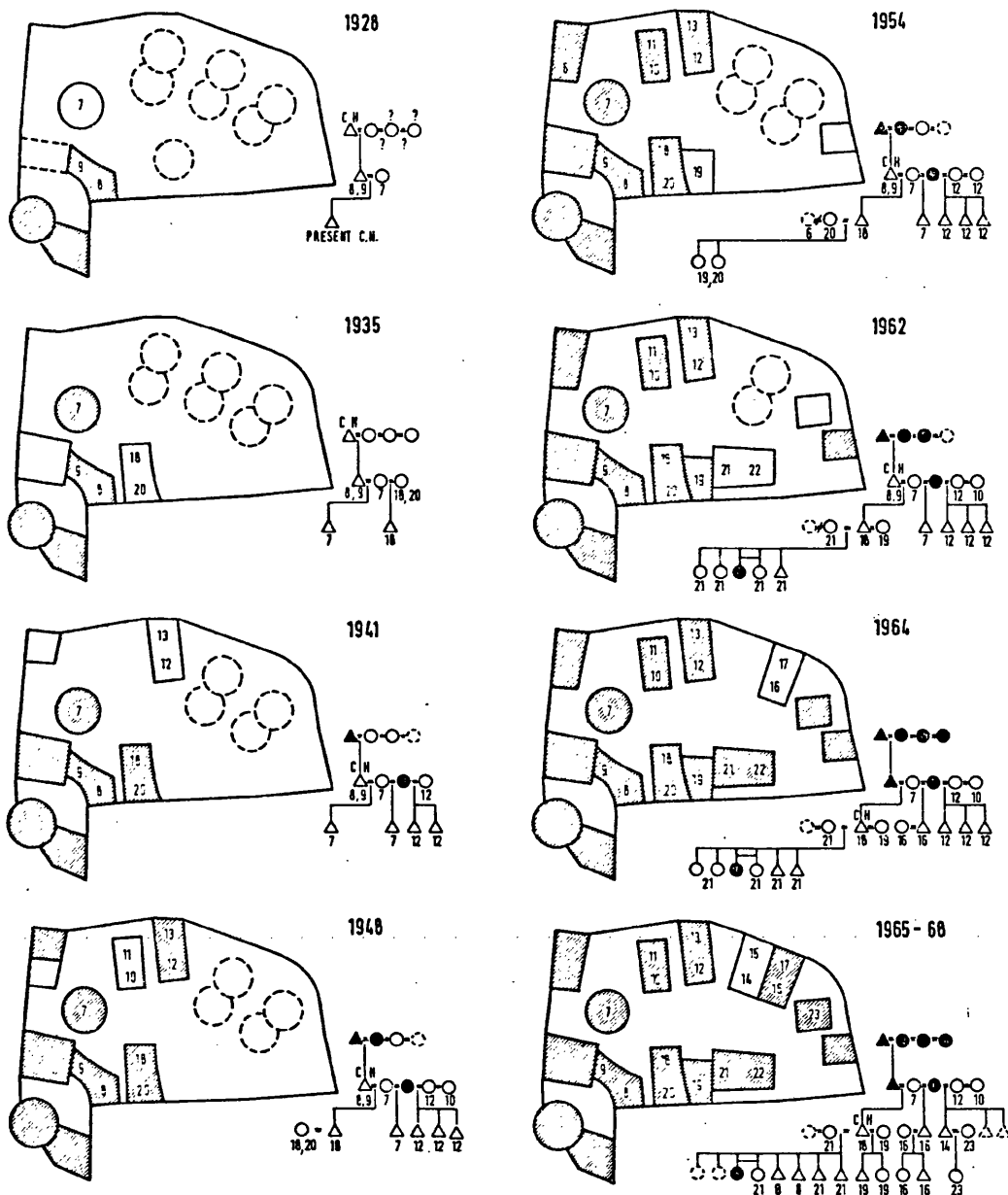


built to house the compound head's sons' newly married additional wives. After the death of that compound head in 1946, the oldest son resumed responsibility for the compound and its inhabitants. As a result of this move the co-residential kinship group had reached stage 3 in the kinship development. With the marriage of the compound head's brother's oldest son in 1958 the group changed to stage 4. In the same year a new hut was built for the young couple. Further rooms were built in 1963 and 1965/6 to house the then rapidly expanding family.

However, as already mentioned above, composite kinship groups are liable to changes at any stage of kinship development which may not proceed progressively from stage 1 to stage 6 but is frequently interrupted. This has been shown in the second example.

This compound is situated near the market in the walled city and has belonged to a family of butchers for at least three generations. In the late 1920's when the compound was occupied by the families of the compound head and his son, it illustrated stage 2 in the kinship development discussed earlier. However, after the compound head's death in 1939, the compound was occupied by only one individual family, thus representing a reversal to stage 1. With the marriage of the new compound head's son in 1948, stage 2 was reached again. The death of that compound head in 1963 again reduced the residential kinship group to stage 1; but with the marriage of the new compound head's half brother in 1964 the group reached stage 3 in the development cycle. In 1965 when the compound head's second half brother married his first wife, a hut with two rooms was built to accommodate the young couple. As the group could not expand further due to the lack of adequate building sites within the compound, the two remaining half brothers moved out. One half brother married in 1966 and has since built a compound of his own elsewhere.

Diagram 4.11 House 71



See also Plan A.4.2 on page 396

This brief account identifies three events that changed the kinship pattern of co-residential groups. These are successively: first, the death of the compound head, second, first marriages of males in each agnatic kinship category and generation, and third withdrawal due to lack of space.

Before the architectural development of these compounds can be related fully to the growth of the co-residential kinship groups, an old Hausa custom, which influenced building development in many compounds, should be noted. This custom which is no longer universal and probably harks back to pre-Moslem times enjoins the burial of dead persons in or next to his or her hut which is then abandoned and left to collapse. After its roof and part of the walls have disintegrated, the roofing poles of deleb palm stems or bamboo are removed for use in new construction or as fire-wood. The remaining walls will then disintegrate quickly to form a small mound of earth which is left to mark the site of the former hut for several years. However, when new rooms are needed, this earth will be used again to make bricks for the new building, thus re-cycling the basic raw materials needed for the construction of houses. As can be seen from the simplified diagrams this practice was followed in both compounds.

In the first example on page 81 a total floor area of 105.5 sq.m. was constructed between 1926 and 1966. Of these 100.3 sq.m. or 95.1 per cent were built as a direct response to provide living and sleeping rooms for newly wedded couples or for additional wives, whereas only 5.2 sq.m. or 4.9 per cent of the total area was built as a wet-season kitchen. Over the same period three double-round huts and one store-room used by the compound head's late father disappeared.

The second example on page 83 shows a slightly different distribution. Of the total floor area of 127.8 sq.m. built between 1928 and 1967, 88.6 sq.m. or 69.3 per cent were constructed to provide living and sleeping rooms for newly married couples, or for the rapidly growing family of the present compound head, while 22.8 sq.m. or 17.9 per cent were built to provide such ancillary facilities as kitchens and kitchen stores. Only one commonly used room with 16.4 sq.m. or 12.8 per cent of the total floor area was built between 1928 and 1967.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF FLOOR AREA

The distribution of the floor area among the sample population may be studied from two points of view; first, the average floor area per household and person classified by their relationship to the compound head, and second, the average floor area per household and person according to the number of persons per household. The first approach may tell us something about differential treatment of related and strangers' households regarding the allocation of space, whereas the second approach will indicate the compound head's ability to provide shelter for the growing family.

#### Floor Area and Household

The survey in Zaria walled city covered 191 households containing 1,067 persons in 77 compounds. Table 4.5 below compares the total average floor area and the average sleeping area available to each household and its members, these households being classified by their relationship of their heads to the compound head.

TABLE 4.5 Average Floor Area per Household and Person in sq.m.

Column	1		2		3	
	No. of Househ.	No. of Persons	Total av.Area p.Hh.	p.Pers.	Av.Sleep.Area p.Hh.	p.Pers.
Compound Head's Househ.	77	603	100.6	12.8	37.7	4.8
CH's F+H Brs' Househ.	39	172	31.0	7.0	18.1	4.1
CH's Sons' Households	29	106	20.1	5.5	14.3	3.9
CH's F+H Brs' Sons' Hh.	25	118	21.4	4.5	16.0	3.4
Other Related Househ.	10	29	23.8	8.2	12.1	4.2
Sub-Total Dep. Househ.	103	425	24.9	6.0	16.0	3.9
Strangers' Households	11	39	15.1	4.3	13.5	3.8
Total Househ. and Pers.	191	1,067				
Av. all Househ. + Pers.			54.8	9.8	24.5	4.4

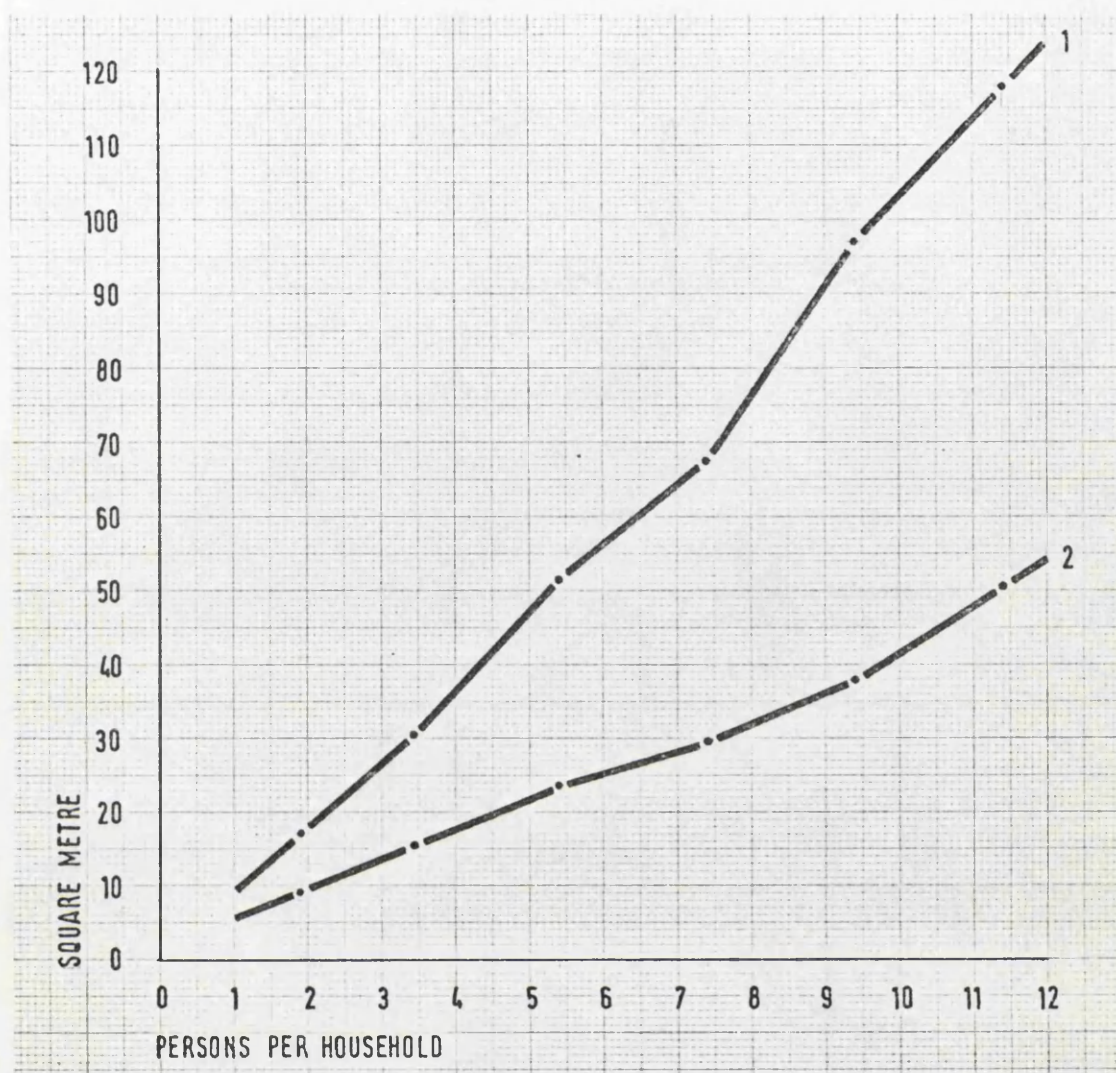
The substantial difference between the total average area occupied by compound heads' households (100.6 sq.m.) and the total average area of all other dependent or semi-dependent households (24.9 sq.m.) is noteworthy. These differences are due to the greater size of compound heads' households which contain an average of 7.8 persons as against 4.1 persons in all other households. Moreover, the total average area of 100.6 sq.m. occupied by compound heads' households include all rooms which are directly under the control of the compound head, including the various entrance huts, workshops and corridors in the compound, even though these are available for general use by other residents. Dependent or semi-dependent household heads, on the other hand, are normally only responsible for their immediate sleeping and living rooms, plus the occasional kitchen and store-room. Thus, the average floor areas cited above illustrate the differential distribution of responsibilities among households' heads within these compounds, rather more precisely than the allocation of floor area between the households themselves. Furthermore, the differences in the average

sleeping area available to individuals only fluctuate between 4.8 sq.m. for the members of the compound head's household and 3.9 sq.m. for persons belonging to all other dependent or semi-dependent households. However, it must be noted, that the average sleeping area per person for households of compound heads is slightly inflated by the fact that 50 compound heads have their own private quarters (turaka).

The following two Graphs are based on Table A.4.8 on page 395 . Graph 4.1 on page 88 shows the average floor area and the average sleeping area per household according to the number of persons per household. As can be seen, the average floor area per household increases from 17.2 sq.m. in households with 1 to 2 persons to 118.4 sq.m. in households having 11 to 12 persons. At the same time the average sleeping area per household also increases from 9.2 sq.m. for households with 1 to 2 persons to 50.9 sq.m. for 11 to 12 person households.

Graph 2 on page 88 shows the average floor area per person and the average sleeping area per person according to the number of persons per household. The average floor area increases only marginally from 9.0 sq.m. for households with 1 to 2 persons to 10.4 sq.m. for households having 11-12 persons, while the average sleeping area per person remains almost stable between 4.8 sq.m. per person for households with 1 to 2 persons and 4.5 sq.m. for households having 11 to 12 persons. This finding confirms a preceding observation that new huts are built for nearly all women who enter the compound on marriage, and that further rooms are constructed to house the expanding family. It is evident that the lack of suitable building sites within compounds rather than overcrowding of existing rooms precipitates decisions of dependent household heads to leave the house and to establish independent new compounds elsewhere.

GRAPH 4.1 Average Floor and Sleeping Area per Household in sq.m.



Line 1 Average Floor Area. Line 2 Average Sleeping Area

GRAPH 4.2 Average Floor and Sleeping Area per Person in sq.m.



Line 1 Average Floor Area. Line 2 Average Sleeping Area

See Table A.4.8 on page 395.

NIGERIA / ZARIAOccupational Pattern

The most significant feature of the occupational pattern in Nigeria is the predominance of agriculture. However, detailed data on the percentage distribution of the main occupational groups are confusing. According to the 1952/3 census report, about 78.0 per cent of the country's total labour force was engaged in agriculture, 13.0 per cent in trade, clerical work and services, 3.0 per cent in crafts, 2.0 per cent in administrative, professional and technical work, and 4.0 per cent in miscellaneous occupations.<sup>1/</sup> The 1963 census report, on the other hand, gave about 57.0 per cent of the country's total labour force as being engaged in agriculture, 21.0 per cent in trade, 14.0 per cent in crafts, 3.0 per cent in administration and 5.0 per cent in other occupations.<sup>2/</sup> Unfortunately, no detailed data for the 1973 census are available yet.

According to the 1963 census report, the urban labour force in Zaria Province was in the region of 58,000 persons.\* Agriculture, crafts and trade accounted each for about 30.0 per cent of the urban working population, whereas persons engaged in administrative, professional and technical work accounted for c. 6.0 per cent and other occupations for 3.0 per cent.<sup>3/</sup>

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<sup>1/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of Nigeria 1952/3  
Lagos 1956, p. 1

<sup>2/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of Nigeria 1963  
Combined National Figures Vol. III Lagos 1968, p. 39

\* Includes towns with 20,000 or more inhabitants

<sup>3/</sup> FEDERAL CENSUS OFFICE Population Census of Nigeria, Northern Region  
Vol. II Lagos 1968, p. 391 (Mimeo)



In 1968 the largest single employer in Zaria Province was the Native Authority with about 2,350 employees.<sup>4/</sup> The 11 industrial establishments in Zaria City which participated in the 1967 Industrial Survey had a total of 1,500 Nigerian employees.<sup>5/</sup> Local factories then included inter alia a cotton mill, a cigarette factory, a printing press, an oil-seed processing plant and the Nigerian Railway engineering works.

#### Income

In 1970 the average per caput income for Nigeria was estimated at over £N. 30 per annum, and was expected to increase by about 3 to 4 per cent during the period of the Second National Development Plan from 1970 to 1974.<sup>6/</sup> According to the Industrial Surveys of 1963 and 1967, the average annual wages for Nigerian employees increased by over 30.0 per cent from £N. 151 in 1963 to £N. 201 in 1967.<sup>7/</sup> A substantial increase of over 12 per cent was awarded after the Morgan Commission on wages and salaries had published its findings in early 1964.<sup>8/</sup> In its report the commission recommended a new wage structure and a minimum wage rate that ranged from £N. 6-10 sh. to £N. 12 per month according to location.<sup>9/</sup>

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<sup>4/</sup> AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY ZARIA, INSTITUTE OF ADMINISTRATION Northern States of Nigeria Local Government Year Book 1968 Zaria 1968, p. 87

<sup>5/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Industrial Survey of Nigeria 1967 Lagos 1970, p. 40

<sup>6/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, NIGERIA Second National Development Plan 1970/4 Lagos 1970, p. 40

<sup>7/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Industrial Survey of Nigeria 1963 and 1967 Lagos 1965 and 1968

<sup>8/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, NIGERIA Report of the Commission on the Review of Wages, Salaries and Conditions of Service of the Junior Employees of the Government of the Federation and in Private Establishments 1963 to 1964 Lagos 1964

<sup>9/</sup> Ibid. pp. 20-21

In a White Paper the Government adopted some of these recommendations and raised the minimum wages accordingly.<sup>10/</sup>

In 1967 the average income by occupational groups in Nigerian industrial establishments of 10 or more employees was £N. 124 per annum for unskilled labourers, £N. 191 per annum for semi-skilled and skilled workers, £N. 300 per annum for clerical workers, and £N. 1,073 per annum for professional and managerial staff. In this context it should be mentioned that non-Nigerian employees with an average income of £N. 2,660 per annum accounted for only 2.6 per cent of the industrial labour force but consumed 34.4 per cent of the total labour cost.<sup>11/</sup> In Northern Nigeria the average income of employees in industry was for unskilled labourers £N. 104 per annum, for semi-skilled and skilled workers £N. 170 per annum, for clerical workers £N. 250 per annum and for professional and managerial staff £N. 740 per annum.

#### Cost of Living

Nigeria has experienced inflation since 1961, and as the cost of living rose so did wages and salaries. The general cost of living indices for Ibadan and Kaduna are given in Table A.5.1 and A.5.2 on page 397. Over the last ten years from 1961 to 1971, the average annual increase in the general consumer price index for Ibadan and Kaduna was 3.1 and 3.8 per cent respectively, whereas between 1960 and 1965 the increase at Zaria was only 1.4 per cent per annum.<sup>12/</sup> By contrast, the sharp rise in the cost of

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<sup>10/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, NIGERIA Conclusion of the Federal Government on the Report of the Morgan Commission on the Review of Wages, Salaries and Condition of Service of the Junior Employees of the Government in the Federation and Private Establishment 1963-1964 Sessional Paper No. 5 Lagos 1964

<sup>11/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Industrial Survey of Nigeria 1967 op cit., pp. 62-97

<sup>12/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NORTHERN NIGERIA Statistical Yearbook 1966 Kaduna 1967, p. 212

living from 1968 to 1971 indicates the inflationary pressures that developed towards the end of the civil war as the result of increasing expenditure on arms and some import restrictions on civilian consumer goods.

### SAMPLE SURVEY

#### Occupational Pattern

Occupational patterns and the division of labour within the sample population are discussed below. Broadly speaking, men work in trade, crafts, agriculture and various other wage-earning occupations, and contribute mainly such goods as food, clothing and shelter to the household economy, while women contribute services and pursue low-paid crafts or petty trade on their own accounts. The main occupations of the 191 household heads included in my sample are given in the following table.

TABLE 5.1      Occupational Pattern of 191 household Heads

	Compound Head		Dep.Househ.H.		Total Househ.H.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Crafts	21	27.3	49	43.0	70	36.7
Trade	26	33.7	32	28.1	58	30.4
Service	22	28.6	18	15.8	40	20.9
Agriculture	2	2.6	8	7.0	10	5.2
Misc.	6	7.8	7	6.1	13	6.8
Total	77	100.0	114	100.0	191	100.0

As shown in the table, about one third or 33.7 per cent of the 77 compound heads interviewed were engaged in trade, textiles and food produce being among the most frequently traded commodities. Services including persons employed by the local and regional Government as well as by the army accounted for 28.6 per cent. Such arts and crafts as weaving, tailoring, building or teaching the Koran together accounted for 27.3 per cent of the sample, and full-time agriculture for only 2.6 per cent. Six compound heads or 7.8 per cent had retired and received

some financial support from their next of kin. (For more detailed information see Table A.5.3 on page 398).

The occupational distribution of the 114 dependent or semi-dependent household heads revealed a slightly different pattern. Here craftwork with 43.0 per cent was the most important occupation, followed by trade with 28.1 per cent, services with 15.8 per cent, farming with 7.0 per cent and miscellaneous occupations with 6.1 per cent.

A total of 104 household heads or 54.5 per cent derived some additional income in cash from agricultural activities, while another 5 compound heads received galla or rent in kind from their farmland. Nearly half of the 51 compound heads directly engaged in farming, employed paid labour (kodago) on their farms, whereas the majority of dependent household heads farmed themselves or with the help of their unmarried sons (See Table A.5.3 on page 398).

TABLE 5.2                      How Household Heads are Employed

	Compound Head		Dep. Househ. H.		Total Househ. H.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Self-Empl.	46	59.7	44	38.6	90	47.1
Empl. Publ. Sect.	19	24.7	17	14.9	36	18.8
Empl. Priv. Sect.	4	5.2	7	6.1	11	5.8
Helps Fam. Memb.	2	2.6	39	34.2	41	21.5
Retired	6	7.8	1	0.9	7	3.7
Misc.	-	-	6	5.3	6	3.1
Total	77	100.0	114	100.0	191	100.0

As shown above, nearly 60.0 per cent of the compound heads are self-employed, 24.7 per cent were employed in the public sector and only 5.2 per cent worked in private firms. About 40.0 per cent of all dependent household heads were self-employed, 34.2 per cent helped a senior family

member, 14.9 per cent were employed by the public sector and 6.1 per cent in private firms.

As most married women among the Moslem Hausa are largely confined to the compound, only older women and those who live in auren jahilai (marriage of the ignorant) are seen trading in the market. Out of 347 married, widowed and/or divorced females, living in the compounds surveyed, nearly 60.0 per cent were engaged in spinning, weaving country cloths known as gwadaye on the vertical loom or embroidering caps and pillow cases for sale by the household head or through commission agents in the city market. Another 15.0 per cent of these housewives prepared food which was hawked by young girls through the city market and streets, and about 13.0 per cent were primarily engaged in petty trading. Of the remaining 41 women, 23 or 6.6 per cent had no gainful occupation, and for 18 women or 5.2 per cent I obtained no information. As women always pursue their crafts or trading activities independently of their husbands, their profits are their own. While no systematic attempt was made to collect information on women's incomes during the survey, the few incomplete data available suggest profit margins that varied from 1 to 6 shillings per week.

#### Household Budget

Any useful analysis of family budgets must be prefaced by a brief description of the method used in collecting the relevant economic information as well as a critical discussion on the reliability and shortcomings of the data. The aim of my budgetary enquiries was to establish the annual cash income of the compound head and that of all other dependent or semi-dependent household heads who lived in the compound surveyed.

During a pilot survey of five compounds, which are not included in the sample, useful information on the current and fluctuating market prices for food, clothing, other consumer goods and building material was collected, together with wage levels, turnover and profit margins for the most important trading commodities. Data available from the socio-economic survey of the Hausa communities in Zaria by M.G. Smith, the Urban Consumer Survey for Zaria and Kaduna, the Industrial Surveys and the Zaria market retail prices which the Federal Office of Statistics collected regularly proved most helpful.<sup>13/</sup> Seasonal variations in economic activities, food prices and supplies were noted in order to evaluate price-movements linked with these fluctuations. Such seasonal variations were always discussed separately during interviews since information obtained from only one month or season could not serve as a sound basis for an annual expenditure/income calculation.

The financial enquiry started with an investigation in the household heads' regular daily, weekly and monthly expenditure on food and drinks, firewood, transport and accommodation where outlays for rent, new construction, improvements and maintenance were clearly distinguished. This was followed by irregular expenditure on clothing, cash gifts or loans to family members and friends as well as outlays for religious and public festivals, childbirth, marriages and/or funerals. After all major items of expenditure were listed income was investigated. To reduce cumulative errors, the daily, weekly, monthly or seasonal incomes from

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<sup>13/</sup> SMITH, M.G. The Economy of Hausa Communities of Zaria H.M.S.O. London 1955, Reprint 1971

FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Urban Consumer Surveys in Nigeria Report on Enquiries into the Income and Expenditure Patterns of Wage-Earner Households in Kaduna and Zaria 1955/6, Lagos 1959

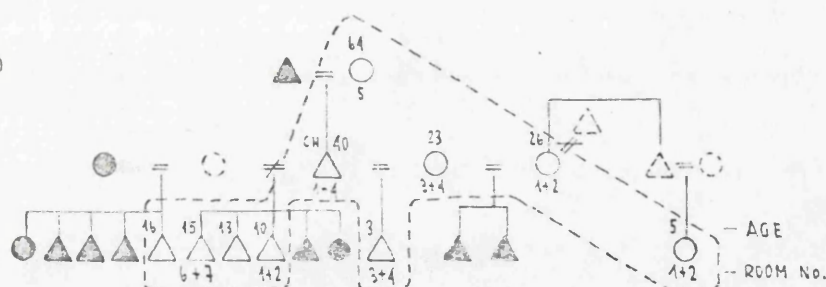
FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Industrial Surveys of Nigeria 1963 to 1968 op cit.

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NORTHERN NIGERIA Statistical Yearbook 1966 op cit., p. 209

agriculture, art and crafts, trade, services and other professions were calculated. Further inquiries were made on income from cash gifts, loans and other financial transactions. Income and expenditure were then compared and only when it balanced by about 10 per cent was the budget accepted as valid for inclusion in the analysis. Major mistakes caused by forgetfulness or deliberate misinformation were in most cases found out and could be corrected by discussing the discrepancy with the household heads concerned. Inaccuracies were further reduced by comparing the statements of cost and profit margins made independently by men practising the same trade or craft at previous interviews, and in the case of wage-earners by checking with the employers. Nevertheless, it is highly unlikely that the data collected are free of inaccuracies and omissions, though they are sufficiently detailed and close to the truth to illustrate the patterns of domestic economy and provide a valuable guide to current levels of cash income and expenditure. The records of three representative budgets are given below. The household heads chosen to illustrate prevailing budgetary variations include a farmer who was also a farm-labourer, a barber-doctor (wanzami) and a trader.

Before proceeding with the analysis some additional remarks on the limitations of the collected budgetary data are necessary. The first and obvious one is the size of the sample which include only 147 successfully interviewed household heads. Another problem arises from the relatively large number of dependent household heads who did not respond (38.5 per cent), of whom about half were absent at the time of interview, while the rest either refused to co-operate or deliberately gave misleading information and so had to be omitted from the sample. Fortunately all compound heads participated fully in the budgetary enquiry and none had to be omitted.

BUDGET No. 10



Total Population 6 Males, 4 Females

Occupation of Household Head: Farmer and Farm Labourer

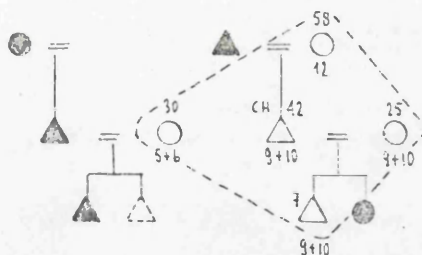
TABLE 5.3 Household Income and Expenditure 1967/68

CASH INCOME	₦N	CASH EXPENDITURE	₦N
<u>Rainy Season</u>		<u>Food</u>	
Household head works in the morning as a farm-labourer gets 5/- per day; total income in season c.	18. 0.0	The harvest of guinea corn and millet lasted about 5 to 6 months. During this time he buys only stew ingredients 7d. per day and meat 6d., 3 or 4 times per week. Expenditure c.	7. 5.0
In the afternoon he works on his own farm; sons help him.	-	Buy extra staple food for c. 6 months 2/- per day plus stew ingredients and meat. Expenditure c.	28.10.0
Sells groundnut harvest	7.10.0		
and two goats	3.12.0		
<u>Dry Season</u>		<u>Stimulants and Drinks</u>	
Household head helps builder for c. 7 weeks gets 6/- per day. Total income c.	12. 0.0	Spends 3-4d. on kola nuts per day, total	5.10.0
Household head goes to village to cut and sell fire wood and grass. Profit made after two months was	9. 5.0	<u>Fire Wood and Lighting</u>	
During the time of absence his mother helped with c. 5/- per week to buy food; she spins and receives some money from her brother who he says is a rich man.	2. 0.0	Spends 6d per day but sometimes collects fire wood on farm or in village, plus 1d kerosene per day.	8. 0.0
Household head borrowed not paid back yet.	5. 0.0	<u>Clothing</u>	
Received some gifts from Ward Head and friends c.	3. 0.0	Bought some clothing with money given by father's brother.	?
Father's brother gave him some money to buy clothes but he can't remember how much	?	<u>Accomodation</u>	
		Maintenance: roof repair	1.10.0
		<u>Other Expenditure</u>	
		Moslem festivals	3.15.0
		Tax paid last year according to Ward-Head's tax file; but Household head insists he paid ₦1.10.0	1. 8.0
Total known cash income per annum	60. 7.0	Total known expenditure per annum	55.18.0

Average monthly income 100.6 shillings



BUDGET No. 63



Total Population 2 Males, 3 Females

Occupation of Household Head : Barber-Doctor (wanzami)

Household Head has small Farm

TABLE 5.4 Household Income and Expenditure 1967/68

CASH INCOME	₦N	CASH EXPENDITURE	₦N
<u>All Seasons</u>		<u>Food</u>	
Household head has on average 8 to 10 customers a day, shave 2-3d, haircut 3d. Income per month c.		The harvest of guinea corn and millet lasted about 3 months. During this time he buys only stew ingredients 5-6d per day and 6d meat 4 times per week.	3.10.0
₦N3.10.0: per annum c.	42. 0.0	Buy extra staple food for c. 9 months 1/- per day plus stew ingredients and meat. Expenditure c.	23.10.0
He spends about 7 days on his farm during the farming season, brother's son helps him. He says this does not affect his craft income much, has more business before the Moslem festivals, can't say how much.		<u>Stimulants and Drinks</u>	
Household head performs approximately 3-4 circumcisions per month.		Spends no money on kola nuts as he gets them free from customers.	
Average earning over the last 2 months was 9/- per circumcision, but gives his helper 1/- each time;		<u>Fire Wood and Lighting</u>	
Annual income c.	20. 0.0	Fire wood 4d and kerosene 1d per day.	7.11.0
One customer paid ₦N1.10. he says, also gets food, clothing and some extra money as gifts, but does not know how much.		<u>Clothing</u>	
Attends 2-3 naming ceremonies per month, shaves the child's head and makes any tatoos the father requests, gets on average 5/- per ceremony.	9. 0.0	Bought clothing for himself his wife and child at Lesser Beiram, total c.	9.10.0
Gets also some food and cash gifts does not know how much.		<u>Accommodation</u>	
Total known cash income per annum	71. 0.0	Improvement: new cement floor.	2.15.0
		Maintenance: roof repair, white-wash on walls, total	2. 5.0
		<u>Other Expenditure</u>	
		Expenses at Moslem festivals, does not know precisely but thinks about	17. 0.0
		Tax paid last year	2. 0.0
		Total known expenditure per annum	68. 1.0
Average monthly income 118.3 shillings			



The last point to make is that no attempt was made to check information on income in kind which derived mainly from farming activities and other non-monetary transactions such as rent in kind (galla) or from barter, the informant's statements on this subject being normally accepted. For most households the additional income from agricultural produce was important, though variably so. The proportion of kind income as percentage of gross income can vary from as much as 70 per cent in the case of a subsistence farmer to zero for a full-time trader, craftsman, or wage-earner with no farmland.<sup>14/</sup>

#### Income Groups

The first consumer surveys conducted in Nigeria in 1953 to 1955 were limited to wage-earning households with an income not exceeding £N. 350 per annum. This limit was later raised to £N. 400 per annum in the Zaria-Kaduna survey of 1955/6. In the early 1960's a new division into lower income households not exceeding £N. 450 per annum and middle income households between £N. 450 and £N. 1,200 per annum was adopted. For my own survey these income categories proved unsuitable due to the large proportion of the non-wage earning households in the sample with very low incomes particularly among the dependent or semi-dependent households. The income distribution given in Table 5.6 below represents a more realistic classification and permits useful comparisons with other studies.<sup>15/</sup>

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<sup>14/</sup> SMITH, M.G. op cit., p. 139

<sup>15/</sup> LUBEGA, A. Financing and Production of Private Houses in Urban Districts of Kampala (Uganda) Unpublished Ph.D. Thesis London 1970, p. 60

TABLE 5.6 Income Distribution

Income per month in Sh.			Income per annum in £N.			
<u>Low Income Households</u>						
A.	Under	100/-		Under	£N	60
B.	100/- to	199/11	£N	60 to	£N	120
C.	200/- to	299/11	£N	120 to	£N	180
<u>Middle Income Households</u>						
D.	300/- to	399/11	£N	180 to	£N	240
E.	400/- to	599/11	£N	240 to	£N	360
F.	600/- to	999/11	£N	360 to	£N	600
<u>High Income Households</u>						
G.	1,000/- to	1,999/11	£N	600 to	£N	1,200
H.	2,000/- to	2,999/11	£N	1,200 to	£N	1,800
I.	3,000/- and over		£N	1,800 and over		

The low income households include some retired household heads who are supported by their next of kin, unskilled manual labourers engaged in agriculture, manufacturing industry and local Government, small-scale craftsmen and petty-trader, as well as some semi-skilled labourers.

The middle income households include skilled workers and artisans, medium-sized trading enterprises and craftsmen, clerical, supervisory and semi-professional staff.

The high income households contain besides a few long-distance kola-nut and cloth traders, professional, executive and managerial staff employed by local or regional Governments and other state-owned industries.

### Income Distribution

Of the 191 household heads interviewed, 44 or 23.0 per cent either refused to co-operate or gave such grossly misleading information about their incomes and expenditures that they had to be excluded from the following analysis. Of the remaining 147 valid household budgets, 101 or 68.7 per cent were in the low income group (up to £N. 180 per annum), 42 or 28.6 per cent in the middle income group (£N. 180 to £N. 600 per annum) and only 4 or 2.7 per cent in the high income group (above £N. 600 per annum). The income distribution for compound heads and all other dependent or semi-dependent household heads is given separately in Table A.5.4 on page 399. As can be seen compound heads have on average the highest income, with 53.2 per cent of them in the low income group, 41.6 per cent in the middle and 5.2 per cent in the high income group. Dependent household heads, on the other hand, have 85.8 per cent in the low, 14.2 per cent in the middle and none in the high income group.

The income distribution by household size for all households is set out in Table A.5.6.C on page 399. This Table shows the predominance of small households with 1 to 6 persons in the low income group. However, as the number of persons per household increases, income tends to increase as well. This is clearly shown by the diagonal pattern of concentration which holds for households with up to 11 to 12 persons and with incomes of between 300 and 999 shillings per month. From there onwards, the few remaining households are scattered so widely that their distribution has uncertain statistical values.

While the average monthly income per household increased from about 157 shillings in households with 1 - 2 persons to 402 shillings in households with 9 - 10 persons, the per caput income decreased from about 80 shillings per month in households with 1 - 2 persons to c. 42 shillings in households with 9 - 10 persons.

On Graph A.5.1 page 400 the cumulative income distribution of 147 household heads are plotted on logarithmic probability paper in order to show the relationship of incomes between the compound head and all other dependent or semi-dependent household heads as well as their median income. The slightly curved line of the cumulative income distribution for all households indicates a log-normal distribution. The two types of households are distinguished by separate curves. Except for the dependent household heads in the middle income group, these curves show an approximately equal percentage change but differing incomes. As a result the curve representing the income distribution of dependent household heads, who have generally lower incomes, shift leftwards. The median income of compound and dependent household heads is 290 and 150 shillings per month respectively. However, part of the higher income of compound heads which derive from farm produce and other financial benefits which are associated with the headship, is spent on new construction, improvements and repair of the compound as well as on help given to other family members in need.

From the budgetary data collected a Lorenz Curve was constructed. Graph A.5.2 on page 400 revealed the inequality in the distribution of income with about 50 per cent of the 147 household heads earning c. 25 per cent of the total recorded annual income.

In conclusion, this study has shown that nearly 70 per cent of all household heads included in this analysis had cash income of less than 300 shillings per month or £N. 180 per annum. The median cash income of all compound heads was with 290 shillings per month nearly double the income of dependent household heads which reached only 150 shillings per month. In the following two chapters I intend to show how domestic groups with such limited financial resources can successfully build, improve and maintain their compounds.



NIGERIA: BUILDING MATERIAL AND THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

The aim of this chapter is first, to examine the range of traditional and modern building materials which are available for the production of houses in Nigeria, second to describe the type of construction found in Zaria walled city, and third to analyse some structural changes which affected the 77 compounds surveyed. A search to collect systematic information on the age of buildings surveyed will be discussed at the end of this chapter.

The construction of houses in Zaria walled city rests almost entirely with their occupants. Public initiative is unknown except for the delegation of building sites by the Emir's administration discussed in Chapter 2 and for the occasional building loans allotted to better-paid local Government employees. As shown in Chapter 4, the construction of residential buildings in the walled city of Zaria is a continuous process. Hence the availability of cheap building materials and labour are essential for co-residential kinship groups to meet their demand for housing which is governed by changes in their size and composition. However, the increasing use of expensive modern building materials such as sawnwood, cement and corrugated iron sheets indicates the rising standard of living which accompanies the changes from a subsistence economy to a monetary system.

Information on the production and consumption of building material in Nigeria is haphazard and incomplete. However, some indication of the general trend can be obtained from data published by the Federal Office of Statistics and from various other studies carried out by Universities and by commercial firms.

The demand for and the supply of traditional and modern building materials varies within Nigeria, since it depends on the type of construction and the level of building technology used in different parts

of the country. Nigeria has an adequate supply of all major raw materials required for the rapid development of industries to produce building materials both traditional and modern.

### Earth and Clay

Earth and clay have been used since time immemorial for construction of walls and, in some areas, to cover the wooden structure of roofs. Today, the majority of houses in Nigeria are still built with mud walls carried out by locally trained craftsmen. Hence the demand for burned clay products is very small indeed. In 1969, the Industrial Survey of Nigeria listed only 9 establishments with a total of 702 employees that specialized in this work.<sup>1/</sup> Over half of the industry's gross output\* of ₦N. 354,000 consisted of tiles, while bricks and pipes accounted for the rest. Other ceramic products such as sanitary porcelain ware and glazed tiles are imported.

### Timber and Wood Products

Nigeria's wealth in timber is well known. Of the country's total land area of 923,740 sq.km. about one-third is good forest land, but only c. 10 per cent or 87,550 sq.km. is classified as forest reserves. These forest reserves are sub-divided into Savannah Forest with 68,760 sq.km. or 79.0 per cent, and High or Equatorial Forest with 18,790 sq.km. or 21.0 per cent.<sup>2/</sup> It has been estimated that the volume of Nigeria's commercial timber totals about 70 million cu.m., while the current removal of

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<sup>1/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Annual Abstract of Statistics, 1971 Lagos, 1973, p. 41. Only establishment with 10 or more employees

\* Gross output is the sum of the values of sales of products plus receipts for resale of goods, value of contract work, value of assets produced for own use, and work in process.

<sup>2/</sup> OKIGBO, L. Sawmill Industry in Nigeria Fed. Department of Forest Research, Ibadan, 1964, p. 13



industrial wood stands at c. 1.4 million cu.m. per annum.<sup>3/</sup>

In 1969 there were 65 sawmills with a total of 7,684 employees operating in the country.<sup>4/</sup> The total production of lumber by the industry was estimated at 226,560 cu.m. in 1967, of which 52,520 cu.m. or 23.0 per cent were exported. Other exports that year included 331,570 cu.m. of logs and 14,810 cu.m. of plywood and veneers. (See Table A.6.1 on page 401). In 1967 the total export value of Nigerian timber was in the order of £N. 4.3 million.<sup>5/</sup> Between 1963 and 1967 the average annual consumption of lumber within Nigeria was 176,000 cu.m. of which about 140,000 cu.m. or 80.0 per cent were used by the construction industry. (See Table A.6.2 on page 401).

#### Cement and Cement Products

Effectively the Nigerian cement industry began in December 1957.<sup>6/</sup> Between 1960 and 1966 the annual production of cement increased more than sixfold from 164,000 tons to 986,000 tons, while at the same time imports fell from 626,000 tons to 151,000 tons. Following the outbreak of the civil war in mid-1967 cement production fell to 565,000 tons in 1968; but with the restoration of peace in early 1970 demand for cement increased so sharply that 459,000 tons were imported that year. (See Table A.6.3 on page 401). According to the Industrial Survey of 1969 there were then three major cement plants in operation which together employed a total of 1,300 persons. Their total gross output was around £N. 6.1 million in 1969. Such associated industries as cement products were served by 9

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<sup>3/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, NIGERIA Second National Development Plan 1970/74 Lagos, 1970, p. 61

<sup>4/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Annual Abstract of Statistics, 1971 op cit., p. 41. Only establishments with 10 or more employees

<sup>5/</sup> ORGANIZATION FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT (OECD) Tropical Timber Paris, 1969 p. 152

<sup>6/</sup> UGOH, S.U. "The Nigerian Cement Industry" in The Journal of Economic and Social Studies Ibadan, 1966, Vol. 8 No. 1 pp. 97-111

factories which produced mainly blocks and asbestos roofing sheets. This industry employed about 1,140 persons, paid £N. 307,000 in wages and salaries, and had a gross output of £N. 2.0 million in 1969.<sup>7/</sup>

### Iron and Steel Products

A detailed analysis of the consumption of iron and steel products in Nigeria was carried out by the British Steel Corporation in 1970.<sup>8/</sup> Data cited here were extracted from this study. In 1970 Nigeria imported 490,000 tons of steel, an amount which was nearly double its steel imports of 1965. (See Table A.6.4 on page 401). Though at present no steel is produced in the country, there is some re-rolling and steel processing which accounts for about 30.0 per cent of total steel imports. For example, in 1970 the two galvanising plants at Ikeja in Lagos State had a combined output of c. 40,000 tons of corrugated iron roofing sheets which represented nearly the total local supply, and c. 75,000 tons of steel was re-rolled in various small plants as reinforcement bars and light gauge steel sections for the building industry. (See Table A.6.5 on page 401).

It has been estimated that the Nigerian construction industry consumed about 214,000 tons or 44.0 per cent of the steel imports in 1970, and that the oil industry with 177,000 tons or 36.0 per cent of the total import was the second largest steel consumer in the country. Other consumers were the enamelware industry with an estimated 35,000 tons or 7.1 per cent, followed by the general engineering, commercial vehicles, and various other industries, each consuming between 4.0 and 5.0 per cent of total

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<sup>7/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Annual Abstract of Statistics, 1971 op cit., p. 48

<sup>8/</sup> BRITISH STEEL CORPORATION Nigeria: Economic Prospects and Steel Import Potentials 1975 London 1970, Unpublished report compiled by Ffowcs Williams, I.A. Market Research Officer, B.S.C.

steel import in 1970. Altogether iron and steel products formed the largest single item of imported building materials. (See Table A.6.6 on page 402).

### The Construction Industry

The construction industry of Nigeria plays an important part in the economic development of the country. The contribution of building and construction to GDP at 1962 factor cost rose from £N. 50.0 million or 4.0 per cent in 1960/1 to £N. 70.0 million or 4.4 per cent in 1969/70, averaging 4.3 per cent over the ten-year period from 1960 to 1969.<sup>9/</sup> Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF) at 1962 factor cost also rose from £N. 160.5 million in 1960/1 to £N. 221.6 million in 1969/70.<sup>10/</sup> The contribution of construction to GFCF, is divided into buildings and civil engineering works, and rose from £N. 92.1 million or 57.3 per cent of GFCF in 1960/1 to £N. 129.6 million or 58.5 per cent in 1969/70. The percentage contribution of residential and non-residential buildings to GFCF fell from 40.4 per cent in 1960/1 to 29.5 per cent in 1969/70 averaging about 34.0 per cent over the ten-year period. (See Table A.1.9 and A.1.10 on page 383).

The modern construction industry in Nigeria is still dominated by non-Nigerian firms and personnel. In 1970 the Federal Works Register in Lagos listed 1,036 building and 69 civil engineering contractors.<sup>3</sup> (See Table A.6.7 on page 402). An analysis of these firms revealed that although only 3.3 per cent of them were expatriate, 48.7 per cent of firms registering for contracts over £N. 100,000 were foreign-based. However, what really matters is the distribution of work. A study of the distribution of building and civil engineering contracts awarded by the Federal Ministry of Works in Lagos from 1962 to 1970 shows that of the

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<sup>9/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Annual Abstract of Statistics 1971 op cit., p. 140

<sup>10/</sup> Ibid. p. 142

total contract value of about £N. 13.9 million for buildings, 58.0 per cent were carried out by expatriate firms and 42.0 per cent by Nigerian contractors. The distribution of civil engineering contracts is even more in favour of foreign-based firms. Of the total contract value of £N. 50.1 million over 95.0 per cent were carried out by expatriate firms while the rest went to Nigerian contractors.<sup>11/</sup>

Employment in the construction industry is difficult to obtain. According to a survey carried out by the Federal Ministry of Labour, employment in the construction sector represented 15.5 per cent of employment in all recorded sectors, a total of about 88,000 in 1965.<sup>12/</sup> However, these figures are incomplete because the survey included only establishments which employed more than 10 persons, thus eliminating not only those in the traditional building sector, but also the many one-man construction firms which employ no permanent labour force.

#### ZARIA: TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION

The construction of residential buildings in Zaria walled city is carried out by locally trained craftsmen who mainly use indigenous materials and traditional building techniques. The use of such modern building materials as corrugated iron roofing sheets and cement is largely employed for the protection and improvement of existing buildings rather than for the production of new and more permanent types of buildings.

(See Picture 6.1 on page 110).

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<sup>11/</sup> PEARSON, R. Limitations on the Choice of Techniques in the Construction Industry in Developing Countries: A Case Study of Nigeria. Unpublished MA Dissertation, University of Sussex, 1972 pp. 47-48

<sup>12/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF LABOUR, NIGERIA The Employment Market Information Survey Lagos 1965

PICTURE 6.1

Corrugated Iron Roof on  
Top of Existing Building



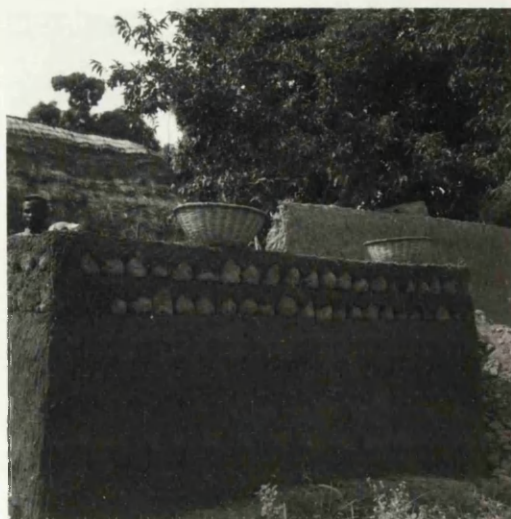
PICTURE 6.2

Brick Manufacturing



PICTURE 6.3

Construction of Mud Walls



### Mud Walls

The building season which starts when the rains have ceased in October lasts until the beginning of March when water needed for house construction becomes increasingly scarce. Construction of a house will begin with the excavation of a sufficient quantity of earth from the nearest borrow-pit, unless this can be obtained from a collapsed hut within the compound to save the labour and transport costs. Near the building site the earth is stacked in heaps about one metre high, water is added and the earth is trampled several times until it has the consistency of mortar. This material is then moulded into bricks (tubali) having the shape and size of half a rugby football, which are left to dry in the sun for at least two weeks. (See Picture 6.2 on page 110). Meanwhile the foundations of the building are dug to about half a metre deep to penetrate below the loose top soil. The dried bricks are then laid in courses each of which is covered with a layer of specially prepared mud mortar until the walls reach the required height. (See Picture 6.3 on page 110). At ground floor level the thickness of walls varies between 0.5 and 0.7 m. for one-storey buildings, and one metre or more for two-storey buildings.

### Roof Construction

There are basically two types of roof construction used in the walled city today: a thatched roof, and a mud roof which may be either flat or dome-shaped. Households in the upper income groups may also cover their mud roofs with corrugated iron sheets to protect the mud roof and walls from damage by rain. I shall denote structures of this latter type as corrugated iron roofs.

The rafters of a thatched roof consist either of bamboo or raphia palm stems in situ or, if the roof is small, of guinea corn stalks tied together on the ground with bands of straw and locally woven rope (igiya) before being lifted and placed in position. The thatch is bought in bundles approximately 1 m. wide, but when unrolled, they are at least 7 to 8 m. long. These grass mats are then wrapped around the frame of the roof, each layer being set 0.10 to 0.15 m. above the previous one and bound to the rafters with a rope. The roof is then completed by tying a network of rope over the thatch to secure it from high winds. (See Picture 6.4 on page 113).

The beams needed for the construction of flat or vaulted mud roofs are cut by local craftsmen from the stem of the deleb palm (Borassus Aethiopum, Hausa giginya) which is selected because of its resistance to termites and white ants. The average size of these beams is 0.05 x 0.10 x 2.40 m. Flat mud roofs are constructed mainly for rectangular rooms not larger than 3.0 x 4.0 metres. To this end the roof beams of deleb-palm are set side by side diagonally across the corners of the wall, and extended progressively inward until the roof is closed. (See Picture 6.5 on page 113). A grass mat is spread over the beams and covered first with a layer of mud mortar c. 0.05 m. thick, and then by another layer of earth about 0.10 to 0.15 m. deep. The external surface of the roof and walls are finished with a thin layer of waterproofing plaster made of mud mortar mixed with katsi which is a binding substance produced by the dyeing trade, or with makuba made from the fruit pod of the locust bean tree (Parkia Filicoidea, Hausa dorowa). Either plaster will keep the roof and walls reasonably waterproof for at least one year.<sup>13/</sup>

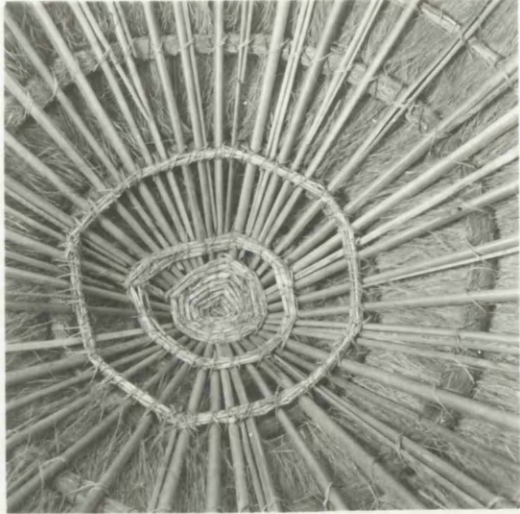
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<sup>13/</sup> DALDY, F.A. Temporary Buildings in Northern Nigeria Technical Paper No. 10, Public Works Department, Lagos 1945, pp. 20-22



## PICTURE 6.4

Underside of a Conical  
Thatched Roof Construction



## PICTURE 6.5

Underside of Flat Mud  
Roof Construction



## PICTURE 6.6

Underside of Vaulted Mud Roof  
Construction showing Ribs





Larger rooms are covered with mud domes supported by wooden arches sprung from opposing walls. After the arches have been erected, the open bays are laid out with beams and covered with mud as described above. (See Picture 6.6 on page 113). All mud roofs are drained by spouts made from old petrol tins which project down and outwards sufficiently to throw the rainwater well away from the base of the walls.

The internal walls of rooms are finished with an additional layer of smooth mud plaster overlaid by a layer of red mud mixed with fine sand which provides a good base for whitewash. The floor of a room is levelled, and compacted. In about half of the rooms surveyed the floor was finished with a layer of cement screed or soil-cement between 0.03 and 0.05 m. thick.<sup>14/</sup> Window openings average 0.40 x 0.40 m., and are covered with wooden shutters fixed with leather strips to the frame, while doors usually consist of planks or wooden frames covered with a sheet of corrugated iron.

#### The Building Trade

The building trade in the walled city of Zaria has an established tradition and status. It is reported that Muhammadu Durungu, a local craftsman, who built the mosque in Zaria in the reign of Abdulkarim sometime between 1834 and 1846, was subsequently invited to build a mosque in Birnin Gwari about 100 km. west of Zaria, on completion of which the local Emir had him seized and executed so that no other mosque would ever be built to equal the one in Birnin Gwari.<sup>15/</sup> To this day the descendants of Muhammadu Durungu are the leading family of builders in the walled city and the chief builder Sarkin Magina is elected from among them.

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<sup>14/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS, U.N. Soil-Cement, its use in Building New York 1964, pp. 43-49

<sup>15/</sup> This information was given to me by Madauchi Ibrahim Bagudu in Zaria. The violent death of Muhammadu Durungu has been disputed by other scholars.

According to the 1968 local tax file there were 140 builders living in the walled city of Zaria. The majority of them still see the construction of houses as an inherited craft and instruct only their own children.

The most common way of building a house is to employ one of these builders who will recruit several assistants and labourers from the walled city or nearby villages according to the size of the contract. Self-help in house-building is rarely practised in the city, although family members frequently assist with the transport of building material and the finishing of interior walls and floors.

The construction of a building with one or two rooms is normally completed within one building season. For example, out of 227 rooms built between 1963 and 1968 in the compounds surveyed, 174 rooms or 77.0 per cent were completed within one building season, 53 rooms or 23.0 per cent, all of which had a mud roof, took a second year to complete. Such improvements as an additional corrugated iron roof or the rendering of mud walls with cement plaster was carried out after the household head has saved or borrowed some money to buy the required building materials. Table A.6.8 on page 402 shows that of 109 corrugated iron roofs built between 1963 and 1968, 75 or 69.0 per cent were constructed on mud-roofed rooms which had been completed at least two building seasons earlier. The survey included 6 compounds built entirely between 1963 and 1968. In all these compounds the stages of construction were carried out according to a similar pattern. It took on average one building season to build at least two rooms for the owner to live in. Other rooms were later added as the need arose.

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SAMPLE SURVEY

The type of construction discussed in the first part of this chapter and the quantitative use of modern building material such as corrugated iron roofing sheets and cement in 77 surveyed compounds will be analysed below. Furthermore I want to illustrate some structural changes which occurred in these compounds between December 1963 and November 1968. This discussion will combine data from the aerial survey of the walled city carried out on 17th Dec. 1963, and on my own survey of May to November 1968. Each individual compound selected for study was examined carefully on the aerial photographs before a skeleton ground-plan 1:100 was drawn with the help of an epidiascope. These plans provided the base for measurements that were subsequently made within the compounds. Any changes which had occurred in these compounds were thus immediately noticed and discussed with the compound head. This procedure enabled me to obtain a complete picture of structural changes in these compounds over a period of 5 years.

Structural Changes of Compounds

The 77 compounds selected for study contained 1,227 rooms with a total of 10,164 sq.m.\* All 1,227 rooms had mud walls. Between 17th December 1963 and 1st November 1968 which marks the end of the survey in Zaria, a total of 227 new rooms were built in these compounds, while at the same time 144 rooms in use in 1963 had disappeared or were abandoned and decaying at the time of the interviews. Thus the total net increase of

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\* This does not include 28 animal pens with 157.1 sq.m. and 29 lavatories and/or bathrooms with 152.3 sq.m.

rooms over nearly 5 years was 83 or 7.3 per cent which represents an overall growth rate of 1.5 per cent per annum.

As shown in Table A.6.8 on page 402 the difference between the palace area and the market area is striking.\* It appears that in the former area the annual growth rate was 3.2 per cent between December 1963 and November 1968, while in the latter area there was hardly any change at all with 69 rooms decaying and 74 new ones, the annual growth rate being merely 0.2 per cent. Perhaps the simplest explanation is the lack of suitable land for further development in the densely populated market area, while the palace area contains ample land for further building.

The roof is an important structural part of any building. The local use of thatch, mud or corrugated iron sheets reflects to some extent the economic position of its owner. 698 rooms or 57.0 per cent of the total rooms surveyed were covered with mud roofs. This was thus by far the most common type of roof. In the 5 years preceding my survey, 133 new rooms with mud roofs had been built, while another 40 rooms had their roof structure converted from thatch to mud. A further 75 mud-roofed rooms were covered with corrugated iron roofing sheets, and 7 mud roofs were converted to ceilings on the construction of upstairs rooms. Only 13 rooms with mud roofs had disappeared or were decaying at the time of my study. Thus the total net increase of mud-roofed rooms over the 5 year period was 78 or 12.6 per cent which represents an annual growth rate of 2.6 per cent.

The total number of rooms with thatched roofs was 361 or 29.4 per cent in 1968. From 1963 to 1968 60 new rooms roofed with thatch were built, while at the same time 131 rooms with such roofs had disappeared and 40

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\* I divided the walled city into two districts. First the area surrounding the palace and second the area around the market. Both areas together contained between 80 and 90 per cent of all compounds in the walled city.

rooms already mentioned earlier were converted from thatch into mud roofs. This gives a net decline of 111 thatch-roofed rooms or 23.5 per cent over these years, averaging a decrease of 4.8 per cent per annum.

The number of corrugated iron roofs increased nearly four-fold from 39 rooms in 1963 to 148 rooms in 1968, giving an average annual growth rate of 57.3 per cent, which is remarkably clear evidence of changing local building standards and techniques. Although the corrugated iron roof was by far the most rapidly increasing type of roof within the walled city, it is still restricted to the middle and high income groups. (For more detailed information see Table A.6.8 on page 402).

There are other indications that the corrugated iron roof, which is still regarded by the community as a status symbol, will continue to increase in the near future. When asked "what improvement do you think the compound most needs?", 31 out of 77 compound heads or 40.0 per cent answered spontaneously "a corrugated iron roof", followed by 15 compound heads or 19.0 per cent who cited more sleeping rooms, 9 or 12.0 per cent who favoured the rendering of mud walls with cement plaster, and 7 or 8.0 per cent who wanted to change thatched into mud roofs. Another 12 compound heads gave various other answers, while 2 did not respond and 1 was satisfied. (See Table A.6.9 on page 403). A more detailed study of the 31 compound heads who wanted corrugated iron roofs revealed that the majority belonged to the middle income group with incomes of 300 to 999 sh. per month, and lived in compounds with predominantly mud-roofed rooms.

The use of cement for interior floors and for outside working platforms had also increased. Between 1963 and 1968 the area of cement floors nearly doubled from 2,852 sq.m. to 5,477 sq.m. At the same time outdoor working platforms in these compounds increased by 58.5 per cent from a total of 1,339 sq.m. to 2,122 sq.m., while the number of rooms rendered with cement

TABLE 6.1 Distribution of Cement Area in 4 Groups of Compounds

Column	1 No. of Compounds	2 No. of Rooms	3 Total Floor Area in sq.m.	4 Cement Floor in sq.m.	5 Cement Floor as % of Total Floor Area	6 Cement Plat- forms sq.m.	7 Total Cement Area sq.m.	8 No. of Persons	9 Cem.Area per Person in sq.m.
1. Compared with thatched roof only	6	67	523.1	87.1	16.6	90.9	178.0	69	2.6
2. Compared with thatched + mud roofs	34	601	4,809.3	2,140.5	44.5	781.2	2,921.7	568	5.1
3. Compared with mud roof only	15	216	1,797.0	1,166.4	64.9	402.4	1,568.8	166	9.4
4. Compared with thatched, mud + corrugated iron roofs	22	343	3,034.6	2,083.4	68.7	847.1	2,930.5	264	11.1
Total	77	1,227	10,164.0	5,477.4	53.9	2,121.6	7,599.0	1,067	7.1

plaster on at least one outside wall rose from 117 to 297. This substantial increase in the use of cement screed and plaster was unevenly distributed. To show the distribution and use of cement, I have classified these compounds into 4 groups according to type of roofs. It was clear that compound heads who could afford to build mud or corrugated iron roofed rooms would also be the most likely to spend more money on cement for floors and outside working platforms. Table 6.1 on page 119 shows that the floor area covered with cement screed increased proportionately to the total floor area from 87.1 sq.m. or 16.6 per cent in compounds with thatched roofs only, to 2,083.4 sq.m. or 68.7 per cent in compounds with predominantly mud and corrugated iron roofs. Likewise, the total area covered with cement screed (floor area and outside working platforms) increased from 178.0 sq.m. or 2.6 sq.m. per person in compounds with thatched roofs to 2,930.5 sq.m. or 11.1 sq.m. per person in "group four" compounds.

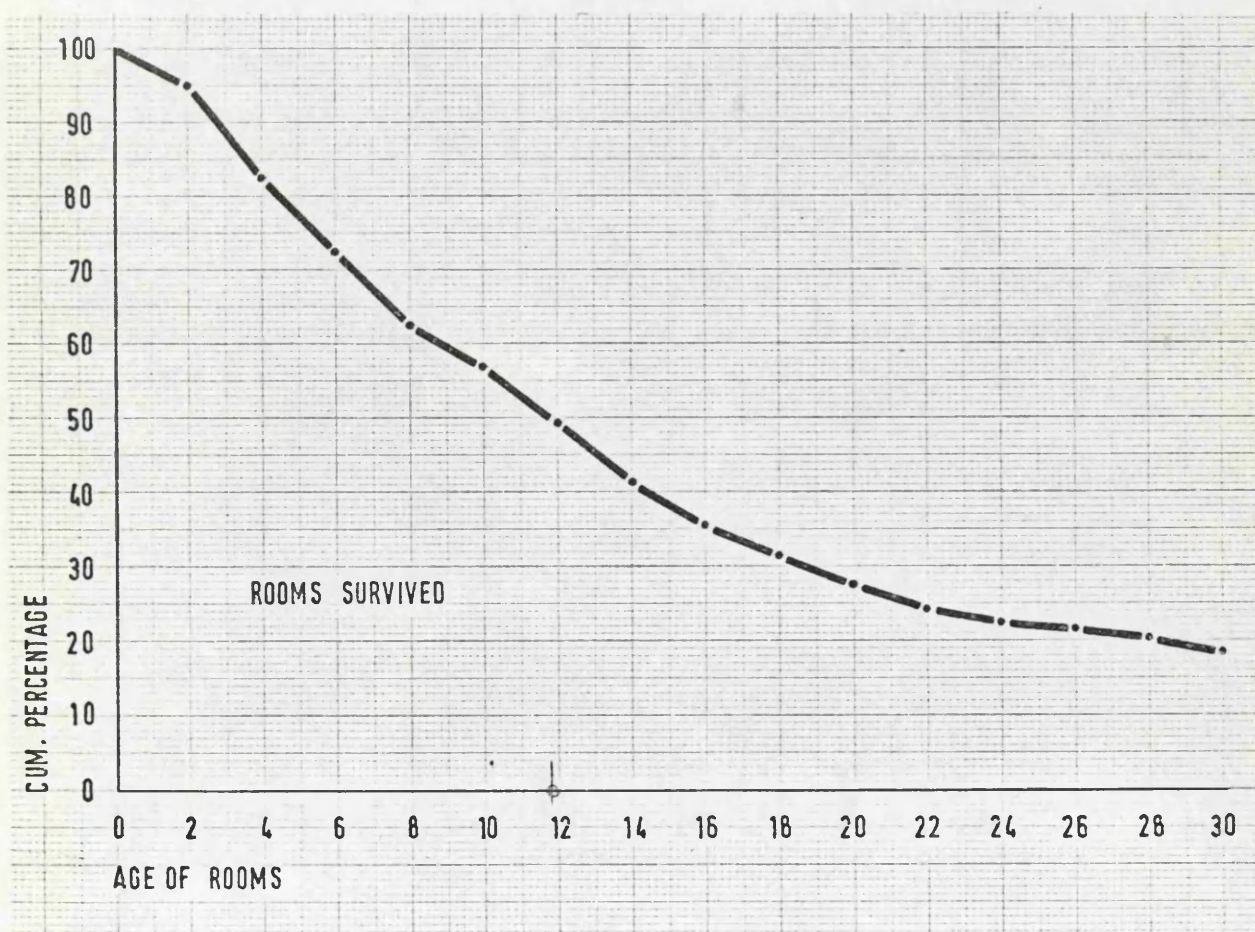
#### Age and Duration of Houses

During the survey of compounds information on the age of 967 rooms were collected, whereas the age of 299 rooms or 23.6 per cent of the total was uncertain or unknown and had to be omitted. As far as possible the data collected for these rooms were checked against information obtained on the development and change of co-residential kinship groups discussed in Chapter 4. Rooms built before 1940 were grouped together because it proved too difficult to collect sufficient additional information to check their precise age. Unfortunately the age of most of the 144 rooms which had disappeared or been abandoned over the last 5 years were unknown, but this was so because most of these rooms had been built before the present generation of compound heads were born. In view of these difficulties it was

not possible to construct life tables for buildings, since the data needed for such life tables include not only a census of the age distribution of occupied rooms but also records of the ages and numbers of rooms which had disappeared over a given period of time. Lack of the latter information is regrettable because life tables of various types of buildings could supply much needed data on the life expectancy for a given house occupied for a known number of years. It is hoped that in future the collection of more detailed information may provide the data necessary for the construction of such life tables.

The following graph presents the age distribution of 967 rooms plotted against their cumulative percentage.

GRAPH 6.1    Age Distribution of Rooms





The graph shows that about one-fifth of the occupied rooms are older than 30 years and that the median age of these rooms, which is marked on the graph, is 11.8 years. The curve indicates that during the first years after completion, the chance of a room being abandoned or even demolished is relatively small. However, in later years the risk naturally increases as more sleeping rooms are abandoned and collapse following their owner's death, until only those remain such as entrance huts (zaure and/or shigifa) or other commonly used rooms which serve the whole compound population. These latter rooms, being repaired frequently, have much longer life-spans and accordingly account for the majority of rooms at the tail end of the curve. (See also Table A.6.10 on page 403).

Thus far we have confined our attention almost exclusively to the age distribution of rooms and little has been said about the various environmental and social factors which influence the lifetime of rooms. The impermanence of earth used for the construction of walls and roofs and the tropical climate are the most important environmental factors which determine the lifetime of rooms. Averages for the durability of various roof types given below are tentative figures, based on information obtained from several local building contractors and my own observations in the surveyed compounds. The lifetime of a thatched roof is between 3 and 5 years unless it is eaten by termites. Regular annual maintenance may prolong its useful life by one or two years. A mud roof, on the other hand, may last for 20 or even 30 years, depending in the first place on the soundness of its construction and on the care taken to replace the plaster that waterproof it regularly. A corrugated iron roof set on top of a mud roof will prolong the lifetime of the latter type even further. However, it must be stressed again that by the very nature of the building materials and the tropical climate regular annual maintenance is decisive in determining the lifetime of any part of a building.

Among the social factors which influence the lifetime of buildings, the most important is no doubt the custom that obliges Hausa families to abandon a room after the owner's death. The dead man's hut, no longer maintained, collapses within two or three years thereby providing space and raw material (earth) for new development. However, the age of abandoned huts is not decisive here, as one example shows. Thus after the death of one compound head's mother, her hut, which was then only 3 years old, was abandoned and left to collapse. But there were also a number of cases where the lifetime of a deceased person's hut has been prolonged by adapting it to new functional uses such as kitchen, general store room or animal pen. It was also observed that in these compounds 96 rooms or 7.2 per cent of the total were empty at the time of my survey. Most of these rooms had formerly been occupied by the divorced wives of the compound heads, all of whom left their compounds on divorce. Thus although in 1968 the majority of these rooms were in good repair and suitable for new wives, failing re-marriage many compound heads would probably allow these rooms to decay or replace them with new huts for other family members.

NIGERIA: COST OF BUILDING

The object of this chapter is to analyse the pattern of construction cost and the financing of modern and traditional private houses in Nigeria. The chapter, which is divided into two parts, discusses in the first part house-building costs and the most important institutions which finance and/or build modern houses in Nigeria, while the second part concentrates on the results obtained from my survey of 77 compounds in the walled city of Zaria.

General Level of House-Building Cost

The cost of modern residential buildings in Nigeria varies enormously and depends not only on the building materials, technology and techniques of construction used, but also on location, the complexity of the design and the socio-economic background of the client. The available information on building costs is almost exclusively for modern residential houses built by the Federal, Regional or Local Governments, Housing Corporations and Building Societies which provide accommodation for their employees, and for the high income groups among the public. Unfortunately, only a limited amount of information on the construction cost and financing of traditional houses is available, although an estimated 90 per cent of the total population in Nigeria still depends on and lives in predominantly traditional housing. The modern buildings, which concern us here, illustrate the influence of Western models and are not directly comparable with traditional types of houses discussed in the second part of this chapter. However, it may be useful to review the most salient features regarding the construction and financing of modern houses in order to show which section of the population has most benefited from the services offered.

Unlike the compounds in the walled city of Zaria modern houses are constructed with permanent building materials such as cement blocks for load bearing walls, covered with corrugated iron or asbestos cement roofing sheets on wooden trusses or purlins. Most houses have fibreboard ceilings. Floors usually consist of cement screed or tiles, while the walls are rendered with cement plaster either painted or whitewashed. Such houses also have wooden doors and windows, which are either wholly or partly glazed, set in wooden or light gauge steel frames. Most modern houses have a W.C., a shower, one or more washbasins and/or sinks, and a minimum of electrical installations.

Leaving aside regional price differences of building materials and labour for the time being, the average cost per sq.m. for modern houses of that type described above was between £ 12 and £ 18 in the early 1960's.<sup>1/</sup> For example, houses built by the Lagos Executive Development Board varied in cost from £ 12.5 to £ 14.3 per sq.m. for low-income occupants and from £ 14.4 to £ 17.8 per sq.m. for the middle-income group.<sup>2/</sup> In 1968 costs of similar houses built by the Western Nigeria Housing Corporation in Ibadan had risen to about £23 per sq.m. for a four-roomed single-storey detached house with a total floor area of 86.6 sq.m., and slightly more than £ 28.0 per sq.m. for a two-storey house with a total floor area of 144.4 sq.m.<sup>3/</sup>

The breakdown of cost by element of building for houses built in Lagos is given in Table A.7.1 on page 404. The estimated proportions of the total cost for the sub- and super-structure of one-storey buildings including the roof were between 50 and 60 per cent, for doors and windows

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<sup>1/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Housing in Africa E/CN/14/HOU/7/Rev. New York, 1965 p. 95

<sup>2/</sup> Ibid. p. 94

<sup>3/</sup> WESTERN NIGERIA HOUSING CORPORATION These figures were calculated from information supplied by the Secretary of the Corporation in a letter of 16th May 1968

slightly over 10 per cent, for minimum sanitary and electrical installation between 10 and 15 per cent, and for finishes around 20 per cent.

Unfortunately, no breakdown of cost by element of cost are available. However, it has been estimated that for comparable buildings in other African countries proportionate costs by element of cost were as follows: for materials between 50 and 60 per cent, on-site labour between 25 and 35 per cent, and overheads and profit between 10 and 20 per cent of the total.<sup>4/</sup>

#### Financing of Modern Houses

The financing of modern houses in Nigeria can be roughly divided into two main categories: first, the public sector which embraces all Governments' direct involvement in providing housing; and second, the private sector. In the following discussion I will review Nigerian Government expenditure on housing either directly through its Ministry of Works or through such Government-financed institutions as the Lagos Executive Development Board and Housing Corporations. However, I made no attempt to cover the private housing finance agencies, and although they may well be important for individuals and household heads in need of additional funds to finish a building, not enough is known about these agencies to allow us to calculate the size of their contribution to the housing sector.

#### Public Sector

The majority of houses in this sector were built for staff-housing for employees of the Federal, Regional and Local Governments, educational institutions and other public services. These houses are financed from special budgetary funds, from general tax revenues and by long-term

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<sup>4/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Housing in Africa op cit., p. 96

Government-guaranteed loans. It has been estimated that in the first five years of independence, an average annual sum of well over £ 1.0 million was spent by Government on staff housing alone through its Federal and Regional Ministries of Works.<sup>5/</sup>

### Private Sector

The financial resources which are available to the general public and to institutions which either build houses and/or administer loans for private house-builders in Nigeria vary considerably. For the sake of clarity, a distinction will be drawn between personal resources which include personal income and savings, contributions from family members or friends, and grants from social security, and institutional resources which are distributed by institutions such as the former Regional (now State) Housing Corporations, by Building and Co-operative Housing Societies, commercial banks, or by finance and insurance companies.

Unfortunately, no information on the volume of personally financed construction of modern private houses in Nigeria is available. However, in his study on Kampala A. Lubega found that about 88.0 per cent of household heads interviewed financed their houses entirely with their own money.<sup>6/</sup>

In the following pages I shall examine the most important institutions that provide loans for private house-builders and/or houses for the general public.

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<sup>5/</sup> GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS see Northern Nigeria, Statistical Yearbook 1966, Kaduna 1967 p. 58

Annual Statistical Digest 1965 Eastern Nigeria, Enugu, 1966 pp. 89-92

Western State of Nigeria, Statistical Abstract 1969, Ibadan 1970, p. 35

Mid-Western Statistical Note Book No. 1 Benin 1970, p. 28

<sup>6/</sup> LUBEKA, A. Financing and Production of Private Houses in Urban Districts of Kampala Unpublished Ph.D. Thesis, London 1970, p. 112

Lagos Executive Development Board (LEDB)

The Lagos Executive Development Board was established in 1928. Originally founded to control epidemics in the then already overcrowded city, the Board is now responsible for the overall development and planning of Lagos township area and has wide powers to acquire and dispose of land, to raise loans and execute townplanning development and rehousing schemes.

The LEDB derives its funds from four main sources, namely, Government grants, Government loans, loans from commercial banks, and long-term loans from such official institutions as the Commonwealth Development Corporation (CDC).<sup>\*</sup> Between 1961 and 1965 the total capital expenditure of the LEDB was in the region of £N. 10.8 million of which about 60 per cent was spent on civil engineering contracts and 40 per cent on buildings.<sup>7/</sup> By March 1964 the total number of houses in the LEDB's rental estates had reached 3,040, while the number of houses built under its freehold housing scheme was 1,382.<sup>8/</sup> The LEDB does not advance loans nor mortgages, but it does assist private individuals to become house owners by providing them with plots for development at low cost and freehold houses for sale. Between 1960 and 1964 the LEDB sold 348 plots and nearly all its freehold houses; a total of 39,373 persons (tenants and freeholders) were housed by the Board during this period.<sup>9/</sup>

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\* In 1950 the LEDB received a loan of £ stg. 1.25 million from CDC for the development of Apapa Estate. This loan is repayable from 1961-1990. Source: CDC Report and Accounts 1971, London, p. 122

<sup>7/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, NIGERIA Report of the Tribunal of Inquiry into the Affairs of the Lagos Executive Development Board for the Period 1st Oct. 1960 to 31st Dec. 1965 Lagos 1968 p. 118

<sup>8/</sup> LAGOS EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT BOARD Annual Report and Accounts 1963/64 Lagos 1965 p. 19

<sup>9/</sup> Ibid. Annual Reports from 1960/61 to 1963/64

### Nigeria Housing Corporation

The establishment of four regional based Housing Corporations in the late 1950's and early 1960's marks the beginning of Government sponsored attempts to provide modern houses and mortgage loans for a section of the population hitherto unable to generate enough capital to build their own houses. After a promising start it soon became clear that the successful operation of all these Housing Corporations were seriously hampered by their lack of adequate funds, and by the political unrest that preceded the civil war in 1967. After the creation of the 12 States in 1967 each State has now its own Housing Corporation.

### Western Nigeria Housing Corporation

The Western Nigeria Housing Corporation was established in Ibadan in 1958. To enable household heads to build their own houses or to buy a house built by the Corporation, a mortgage loan service as well as a saving scheme was introduced. In its first five years the Corporation approved 887 mortgage loans for corporation and non-corporation houses. These totalled £N.1,790,823 and averaged £N.2,019 per individual borrower.<sup>10/</sup> On average the corporation loans 80 per cent of the cost of a house subject to a maximum of £N. 4,000, and charges interest at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  per cent per annum for negotiable periods of repayment that vary between 5 and 20 years. According to one official of the corporation, applicants for mortgage loans of say £N. 1,000 must have regular incomes of not less than £N. 400 per annum. The monthly repayment should not exceed a quarter of the borrower's monthly income. This automatically excludes well over half of the household

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<sup>10/</sup> WESTERN NIGERIA HOUSING CORPORATION Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st March 1963 Ibadan 1964 p. 10



heads living in Ibadan, so that only the upper middle and high income groups have any chance of securing mortgage loans from the corporation. (See Chapter 12).

Between 1960 and 1963 the corporation built and sold 424 houses of different types at costs that ranged from £N. 1,000 for a detached three-roomed house to £N. 4,100 for a two-storey house with 5 rooms, separate servants' quarters and a garage.

#### Northern Nigeria Housing Corporation

The Northern Nigeria Housing Corporation was founded in 1961 with its headquarters in Kaduna. In 1962 the corporation started issuing mortgage loans to applicants with regular incomes of at least £N. 180 per annum. The amount an individual could borrow was restricted to £N. 3,000 or the equivalent of the applicant's salary for 30 months, whichever was less.<sup>11/</sup> The annual interest rate was  $8\frac{1}{4}$  per cent, and repayments were limited to a maximum of 33.0 per cent of the borrower's income.

Until March 1966, 922 mortgage loans totalling £N. 1,044,910 had been issued, averaging £N. 1,133 per individual borrower. Of the total mortgage loans 217 or 23 per cent were under £N. 500, most of them advanced to borrowers with incomes not above £N. 200 per annum, 365 loans or 39 per cent of sums ranging from £N. 500 to £N. 999 were made to borrowers with incomes of up to £N. 400 per annum, and 340 loans or 38 per cent for sums exceeding £N. 1,000. The repayment period for 601 loans or 65 per cent was 15 years, for 48 loans or 5 per cent it varied between 11 and 14 years, and for 273 loans or 30 per cent it was 10 years or less.<sup>12/</sup>

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<sup>11/</sup> NATIVE AUTHORITY HOUSING CORPORATION First Annual Report and Accounts for the Period 18th May, 1961 to 31st March, 1962 Kaduna 1962, Appendix C, Housing Loan Rules § 5b p. 36 and § 9.1 p. 37

<sup>12/</sup> NORTHERN NIGERIA HOUSING CORPORATION Fifth Annual Report and Accounts for the Year ended 31st March 1966 Kaduna 1966 p. 18

By March 1965 the corporation had completed 611 houses, while 38 were at an advanced stage of construction and another 185 in the initial stages.<sup>13/</sup> The total funds received by the corporation until its merger with the New Nigerian Development Company Ltd. in 1968 amounted to £N. 943,218.<sup>14/</sup>

#### Eastern Nigeria Housing Corporation

The Eastern Nigeria Housing Corporation started operating in early 1962, with initial loans of £N. 70,000 from the Government of the former Eastern Region, and £N. 60,000 from Shell-BP.<sup>15/</sup> In its first two years the corporation built 30 houses, and followed this with 60 houses in 1964, all 90 being handed over to employees of the Regional Government and commercial firms. By mid 1964 a further 62 dwellings were under construction and over 100 houses were in the planning stage. The first 15 mortgage loans totalling £N. 14,000 were distributed in 1964.<sup>16/</sup> It was envisaged that during the First National Development Plan 1962-68 a total of £N. 2.0 million would have been made available to the corporation, but the events of 1966 and following civil war interrupted the corporation's activities.

#### Mid-Western Housing Corporation

Unfortunately, no information is available on the activities of the Mid-Western Housing Corporation which was established in 1964.

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<sup>13/</sup> NORTHERN NIGERIA HOUSING CORPORATION Fourth Annual Report 1964/65 p. 10

<sup>14/</sup> MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, KADUNA Inquiry into the Affairs of the Northern Nigeria Housing Corporation 1967 Kaduna 1967 p. 2

<sup>15/</sup> EASTERN NIGERIA HOUSING CORPORATION Annual Report and Audited Accounts 1961/62 Enugu 1964 p. 3

<sup>16/</sup> Ibid. Annual Report 1963/64 Enugu 1964 p. 12

Nigeria Housing Development Society Ltd. (Nigeria Building Society)

The Nigeria Building Society was founded in 1957. By the end of 1971 the society had advanced a total of more than £N. 10.0 million as mortgage loans during its 14 years of operation. In 1971 its Director's annual report revealed that its mortgage asset totalled £N. 6,149,703, an increase of more than 20 per cent on the previous year, while the total sum deposited under the society's saving scheme had reached £N. 1,456,302.<sup>17/</sup> The society charges an interest rate of  $8\frac{1}{2}$  per cent for their loans which are repayable over a period of between 15 and 25 years. The society concentrates its operations in the metropolitan area of Lagos and, although no detailed statistical data about its financial transactions are available an almost casual remark in its 1970 annual report throws some light on the type of customer for which the society caters: "...", the majority of the mortgage business done in 1970 was in respect of houses which, on completion, were to be rented out by their owners."<sup>18/</sup> In 1970 the society made an agreement with the Commonwealth Development Corporation (CDC) for a loan of £ stg. 500,000 available to the society at the beginning of 1974.

Nigeria Co-operative Housing Societies

The co-operative movement in Nigeria has been increasingly successful since its creation in 1936. As most Nigerians are farmers it is understandable that the most important co-operative societies are concerned with agricultural produce. In 1961 there were 4,019 registered co-operative societies having a total membership of 251,868, and of these 2,299 were

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<sup>17/</sup> NIGERIA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY LTD. Report and Accounts 1971 Lagos 1972 p. 1

<sup>18/</sup> Ibid. Report and Accounts 1970 Lagos 1971 p. 2

marketing co-operatives that handled together well over 20 per cent of the country's agricultural produce. The remaining 1,720 were saving and credit co-operative societies which had accumulated over £N. 1.5 million in 1961.<sup>19/</sup>

Within this framework, the co-operative housing societies did not thrive at all. In 1964/65 there were only 11 housing societies\* whose 927 members shared a working capital estimated at about £N. 150,000.<sup>20/</sup> By comparison with North African countries for example Tunisia and the United Arab Republic,<sup>21/</sup> the contribution of the Nigerian Co-operative housing societies to ease the housing shortage in urban areas by making mortgage loans available to their members, is negligible. For example, the Lagos Building and Housing Co-operative Society Ltd. was registered in 1957 and had 220 members in 1965. Between 1961 and 1965 the average annual amount issued by the society to its members was in the region of £N. 12,000 at 6 per cent interest rate; but in 1966 this amount dropped to £N. 6,100 and in 1967 to £N. 4,000.<sup>22/</sup> In 1961 the former Eastern Region had two housing co-operative societies with 382 members and a total capital of £N. 64,700.\*\* By the end of 1964 this had increased to 5

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<sup>19/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, NIGERIA Handbook of Commerce and Industry in Nigeria Fifth Edition 1962, Lagos 1962, pp. 235-239

\* This excludes the former Northern Region because the available statistical data does not permit the distinction of housing and building co-operative societies which are included in Thrift and Loan or Thrift and Credit co-operative societies.

<sup>20/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF LABOUR, NIGERIA Annual Reports of the Co-operative Division, 1963/64 and 1965/66. Published by the Fed. Ministry of Information, Lagos

<sup>21/</sup> UNITED NATIONS E.C.A. Conference on Co-operative Housing in Africa. Addis Ababa 1969 E/CN/14/HOU/20

<sup>22/</sup> FEDERAL MINISTRY OF LABOUR, NIGERIA Annual Reports of the Co-operative Division, 1960 to 1967 op cit.

\*\* The first Nigerian Housing co-operative society was the "Old Paulines" registered in Enugu in 1955. The society started with 103 members and a total working capital of £N. 4,051. Source: Annual Report of the Co-operative Department of the Eastern Region of Nigeria for the Year 1955/56. Enugu 1957, p. 26

housing societies with 617 members and a working capital of £N. 110,120.<sup>23/</sup> In the former Western Region the number of co-operative building societies had dropped from 8 in 1960/61 to 4 in 1963/64 with 77 and 71 members respectively,<sup>24/</sup> while the former Mid-Western Region had only one housing society with 19 members and a total capital of £N. 901 in 1967.<sup>25/</sup>

### Banking and Insurance

#### Commercial Banks

The banking business of Nigeria expanded rapidly during the last decade. The total assets of the Central Bank of Nigeria rose from £N. 94.5 million in December 1962 to £N. 226.2 million in December 1970,<sup>26/</sup> while all other commercial banks increased their assets from £N. 142.6 million to £N. 576.0 million over the same period.<sup>27/</sup>

Total institutionalized savings showed a similar upward trend from £N. 45.7 million or 3.5 per cent of GDP in December 1962 to £N. 205.9 million or 11.8 per cent of GDP in December 1970. (See Table A.7.2 on page 405). As a result of this development, commercial bank loans and advances to industry and commerce increased from £N. 60.0 million in December 1961 to £N. 149.0 million in December 1966. Though this upward movement was interrupted during the civil war (1967-70), it resumed immediately thereafter, and was especially pronounced in the second half

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<sup>23/</sup> ECONOMIC PLANNING COMMISSION FOR EASTERN NIGERIA Annual Statistical Digest 1965 Enugu 1966, p. 140.

<sup>24/</sup> MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, IBADAN Western Nigeria Statistical Bulletin Nos. 1 and 2 Vol. VII 1966, pp. 169-172

<sup>25/</sup> MID-WESTERN STATE Statistical Note Book No. 1 Benin 1969 p. 38

<sup>26/</sup> CENTRAL BANK OF NIGERIA Annual Report and Statement of Accounts 1963 and 1970, Lagos

<sup>27/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Digest of Statistics Vol. 20 No.2 Lagos 1971, p. 100

of 1970 when loans by commercial banks reached a new peak of £N. 175.7 million. A breakdown of these loans reveals that the bulk went to general commerce, and that loans to the real estate and construction industry fluctuated between £N. 5.2 million for construction only in December 1963 to £N. 13.0 million for real estate and construction at the end of 1970, as shown in Table A.7.3 on page 405.

The maturation rates of commercial bank loans are given below.

TABLE 7.1    Maturation Rates of Commercial Bank Loans<sup>28/</sup>

Average of monthly ratio in percentages					
Period	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
Within one year	88.9	91.0	90.4	89.3	89.9
One to five years	9.1	7.0	7.6	8.5	9.4
Over five years	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.2	0.7

It is evident from the Table above that commercial banks do not provide mortgage loans for individuals who require long-term repayment periods ranging from 15 to 25 years or even more. However, by giving short-term loans to the building industry, commercial banks fulfil an important function in providing loans during the construction period when construction firms and private builders require money to purchase material and labour until the building is completed. Interest rates for such loans vary between 8 and 12 per cent.

#### Insurance Companies

Until the early 1950's all insurance businesses registered in Nigeria were in the hands of British companies. This has since changed, and of the 41 major companies transacting insurance business in Nigeria in 1969, 11 were wholly Nigerian, 13 were jointly owned by Nigerians and non-Nigerians,

and 17 were foreign companies. However, companies of this third group, which is dominated by the Royal Exchange, the Northern Assurance and the Royal Group, still control between 70 and 80 per cent of the Nigerian insurance market.<sup>29/</sup> Between 1963 and 1965 the total premium income for life and non-life insurance rose from £N. 6.0 million to £N. 9.3 million. In 1968 there was a temporary setback when the total premium income was only £N. 7.1 million of which £N. 3.1 million were reinsured outside Nigeria.<sup>30/</sup>

Unlike Europe, where insurance, and life insurance in particular, has been a major source of housing finance,<sup>31/</sup> the life insurance business in Nigeria has only marginally contributed to the housing sector,\* although premium income has steadily increased from £N. 1.3 million in 1963 to £N. 2.8 million in 1965 and £N. 3.0 million in 1968.<sup>32/</sup>

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<sup>29/</sup> Author not given. "Insurance Market in Nigeria 1969", in Federation of Afro-Asian Insurers and Reinsurers Review Cairo 1971 p. 9

<sup>30/</sup> Ibid. p. 10

<sup>31/</sup> UNITED NATIONS The Role of Insurance in Housing and Proposals for its Application in Africa E/CN/14/HOU/29 Addis Ababa 1969

\* Only one out of six British dominated insurance companies in Nigeria had some marginal interest in housing.

<sup>32/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Annual Abstract of Statistics 1969 Lagos 1970 p. 133

### ZARIA SAMPLE SURVEY

In the second part of this chapter I will first discuss the level of construction cost and then the method of housing finance, based on data obtained from my survey of 77 compounds in the walled city of Zaria.

#### Cost of Building

The cost of building covers a whole range of different activities which may be divided into five major categories as follows:

1. Cost of construction (completed 1963-8)
2. Cost of buildings under construction
3. Cost of improvement
4. Cost of maintenance and repair and
5. Cost of such miscellaneous constructions as granaries, and wells.

As mentioned elsewhere, the construction of new huts inside compounds is a continuous process which reflects the growth or decline of co-residential kinship groups. This pattern of development made it necessary to restrict my investigation on building cost within the compounds surveyed to a five-year period from December 1963 to November 1968. During this period a total of 227 new rooms were constructed within these compounds while 115 rooms were entirely re-roofed with different materials, a change I have classified as improvement.

Table 7.2 on page 138 shows that of the total adjusted building expenditure of about 180,000 shillings or £N. 9,000, 44.4 per cent was spent on new construction, 27.7 per cent on improvements of existing buildings, 23.6 per cent on repair, 2.4 per cent on buildings under construction and 1.9 per cent on miscellaneous construction.

#### Cost of New Construction

During the five-year period from 1963-8, 277 rooms with a total floor area of 1,772 sq.m. were built in 52 out of 77 compounds surveyed.



TABLE 7.2 Costs of Construction in 77 Surveyed Compounds 1963-1968

Column	Pilot Scheme**						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	No. of Rooms	Square Metre	Cost in shillings	Shs. per sq.m. Floor Area	Per Cent of Cost Adjusted	Material Cost only sq.m.	Material and Labour Cost sq.m.
<u>New Construction</u> (completed)							
Thatch-roofed Rooms	60	426.0	10,175	23.9		17.7	38.2
Mud-roofed Rooms	133	990.0	40,244	40.6		30.2	54.0
C. iron-roofed Rooms	34	356.5	27,930	78.3		56.7	89.7
Compound Walls			1,565				
Sub-total	227	1,772.5	79,914		44.4		
<u>Improvement on Existing Buildings</u>							
Change Thatch to Mud Rf	40	309.8	5,893	19.0		16.0	24.9
C.I. Rf on Top of Mud Rf	75	663.9	22,441	33.8		26.5	35.7
Cement Floor & Platforms			13,602				
Electricity Installed(16)			5,163				
Pipe Borne Water Installed (8)			2,845				
Sub-total	115	973.7	49,944		27.7		
<u>Maintenance and Repair</u>							
Includes <u>inter alia</u> Roofs, Walls, Doors, Windows, Cement Plaster, Painting, etc.							
			For Details see Table 7.5 on page				
Sub-total(1966-8,Actual)			25,493				
Adjusted S-total 1963-68*			42,488		23.6		
<u>Buildings under Construction</u>							
Rooms Walls Completed	17	129.5	707				
Rooms Mud Rf Completed	13	106.7	2,697				
Rooms Corr.I.Rf Compd.	9	72.4	929				
Sub-total	39	308.6	4,333		2.4		
<u>Miscellaneous Constrn.</u>							
Includes <u>inter alia</u> Wells, Pit-latrines, Bth-rooms, Stables & Granaries							
Sub-total			3,392		1.9		
Total Expenditure Actual			163,076				
Total Expendr. Adjusted			180,071		100.0		

\*  $\frac{25,493}{3} \times 5 = 42,488$  shs.

\*\*\* See Table A.7.4 on page 406

The recorded cost of construction for these rooms was 79,900 shillings (£N. 3,995) or 44.4 per cent of the total expenditure on buildings. As shown in column 4 on Table 7.2 the average cost per sq.m. for a room with a thatched roof was 23.9 shillings, for one with a mud roof 40.6 shillings, and for rooms with corrugated iron roofs set on top of domed mud roofs 78.3 shillings.

Detailed studies of construction costs for a typical two-roomed house (16.0 sq.m. floor area) with mud walls and three different roof types, i.e. thatch, mud, and corrugated iron sheets set on top of a domed or flat mud roof, were made with the help of two local builders. (See Table A.7.4 on page 406). Two sets of figures were collected, first for the cost of materials only expressed in shillings per sq.m., the minimum cost, (see column 6), and second the total cost for materials and labour per sq.m., which represents the maximum cost (see column 7). Comparison of the data obtained from the survey and from this independent case study revealed that the survey data tabulated in column 4 are lower than the maximum cost per sq.m. established by the case study. This confirms a well known fact that most compound heads assist the builder throughout the construction period in order to keep their labour costs down.

A breakdown of cost by element of building for the typical two-roomed house discussed above is given in Table 7.3. That table presents costs for three different types of roof, the doors, windows and finishings being of the same standard.

TABLE 7.3 Breakdown of Cost by Element of Buildings in Percentages\*

Element of Building	Thatch-roofed rooms	Mud-roofed rooms	C.Iron-roofed rooms
Sub + Super Structure	69.8	78.6	87.1
Doors and Windows	7.3	5.2	3.1
Finishes	22.9	16.2	9.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

The considerable differences in the proportionate costs of building elements for these rooms reflect the differing expenditures for building materials on each. Expressed as percentages of total cost, building materials for a room roofed with thatch accounted for 46.0 per cent of the total cost, for a room roofed with mud 56.0 per cent and for a room roofed with corrugated iron sheets on top of a mud roof for 63.0 per cent.

Altogether 39 rooms with a total floor area of 309 sq.m. were under construction at the time of interview. The 11 compound heads who had undertaken these constructions paid 4,330 shillings or £N. 217 which represents about 2.4 per cent of the total expenditure on buildings.

#### Cost of Improvements

The cost of improvements which include inter alia the change of roof structures from thatch to mud or the fixing of a corrugated iron roof on top of a mud roof as well as new cement floors and the installation of piped water and/or electricity supply amounted to 49,940 shillings (£N. 2,497) or 27.7 per cent of the total expenditure on buildings. More detailed data on these improvement expenditures revealed that 22,440 shillings (£N. 1,122) or 45.0 per cent was spent on corrugated iron roofs followed by cement screed and plaster with 27.2 per cent,

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\* See Table A.7.4 on page 406.

changes from thatched to mud roofs 11.8 per cent, and the installation of piped water and electricity supply 10.3 and 5.7 per cent respectively.

#### Cost of Maintenance and Repair

The adjusted cost of maintenance and repair accounted for 42,490 shillings (£N. 2,215) or 23.6 per cent of the total building expenditure. In spite of repeated efforts, it proved impossible to collect enough reliable data on maintenance and repair costs for the years 1964 and 1965, simply because most household heads could not remember the details. In contrast such expenditures for the three years from 1966 to 1968 were recalled with confidence. The detailed data collected on this item shows clearly the recurrent tendency of this kind of expenditure. Thus, after checking all available information I have assumed that repair and maintenance costs for the two incompletely documented years, 1964 and 1965 were not substantially different from the last 3 years and have made the necessary adjustments to cover the whole period from 1963 to 1968.

Because of its importance, the total actual maintenance and repair costs of 25,500 shillings or £N. 1,275 merit further attention.

TABLE 7.4    Actual Maintenance Cost by Element of Building 1966-8

Element of Building	Shillings	Per Cent
Compound Walls	8,243	32.4
Mud Roofs	5,766	22.6
Thatched Roofs	5,486	21.5
Mud Plaster on Housewalls	3,979	15.6
Cement Platforms and Plaster	943	3.7
Painting and Whitewash	554	2.2
Doors and Shutters	411	1.6
Other Repairs	111	0.4
Total	25,493	100.0

It is noteworthy that slightly under one third of the total maintenance cost was absorbed by repair work on compound walls. Repair cost for mud roofs which represent over half of all roof types in the compounds surveyed, was 22.6 per cent of the total maintenance cost, while repairs to thatched roofs account for 21.5 per cent. The relatively high maintenance cost of thatched roofs is of interest, since in contrast with mud roofs, the number of thatched roofs has steadily declined from 472 rooms or 41.3 per cent of total roof types in December 1963 to 361 rooms or 29.4 per cent in November 1968. Thus these data suggest that, while the thatched roof is relatively cheap to build, it is also rather expensive to maintain.

#### Financing of Private Houses in the Walled City of Zaria

The following analysis is intended to show how houses included in the sample survey were financed. The investigation is again limited to the five year period from December 1963 to November 1968. The two main sources of housing finance already mentioned earlier are personal sources and institutional sources.

#### Personal Sources

Personal sources can be divided into three interrelated groups:

- a. Self-financing from income and savings,
- b. Contribution from family members and friends, and
- c. Funds from Social Security, such as gratuities or pensions.

Contribution from family members and friends were further sub-divided into gifts and loans. Out of the 227 rooms built during the period under study, 182 or 80.2 per cent were either partly or wholly financed by 50 compound heads (maigida) in whose compound they were built, while the remaining 45 rooms or 19.8 per cent were financed by 23 dependent or semi-dependent household heads (mai-iyalai).

Self financing from income and savings played an important part in house-building at Zaria. As shown in Table A.7.6 on page 408 about 84.0 per cent of the total expenditure on building between 1963 and 1968 came from personal income and savings of household heads. Altogether 45 compound heads or 58.4 per cent of the total, had at one time or another saved amounts that ranged from £N. 15 to £N. 95 to finance building, while 29 compound heads or 37.7 per cent had never saved for this end, and 3 or 3.9 per cent did not respond.

As mentioned earlier, contribution from family members and friends have been sub-divided into gifts and loans. During the five-year period from 1963 to 1968, 11 loans totalling 8,170 shillings or £N. 409 were made by private persons or private saving societies to 11 compound heads who used the money mainly for new construction. The creditors of these loans were in order of importance.

TABLE 7.5    Type of Creditors of Private Building Loans

	No. of Loans	Shillings	Per Cent
Personal Friends of Comp. Head	5	4,850	59.4
Priv. Saving Societies	4	2,200	26.9
Close Relatives of Comp. Head	2	1,120	13.7
Total	11	8.170	100.0

Gifts received to finance either new construction, improvements or repairs amounted to 17,820 shillings or £N. 891 and came mainly from close relatives and friends of the compound head. All 25 contributors lived outside the compound concerned. However, it is highly unlikely that this represents all instances of such help, as several compound heads were rather reluctant to speak freely on this topic and only admitted having received some aid when pressed hard. The sum received from family members and friends including gifts and loans amounted to 25,990 shillings (£N. 1,300) or 14.4 per cent of the total building expenditure from 1963 to 1968.

Contributions from social security encountered in my survey were relatively small and involved only 3 compound heads, all of whom were former employees of the Local Government. These 3 compound heads received gratuities totalling £N. 335 which was partly used for the construction of new buildings or to improve old ones.

The private saving societies (adashi) mentioned above are worth citing because they are of general interest. The modern form of these saving societies probably originated among Ibo and Yoruba immigrants employed in Northern Nigeria by Government, industry and commerce. Most of these private saving societies have only a few members who, in return for a regular weekly or monthly subscription, each receive in turn the total contributions, and often use this to buy household goods, meet emergencies, pay debts, or, as here, to finance new buildings as well as improvements on old buildings.

#### Institutional Sources

Institutional sources of funds for housing include all building loans and grants made either by the Local Government, Housing Corporations and banks. From 1963 to 1968 only two compound heads received building loans totalling £N. 139. The two loans in question were made by the Zaria Native Authority to two members of its staff at the generous interest rate of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. These are obviously special loans which are not available to the general public but closely tied to the position and influence of the beneficiary. One additional grant of £N. 14 was given to one employee of the local police force who used the money to start the construction of a hut for himself. The two loans and one grant listed above covered about 1.7 per cent of the total building expenditure between 1963 and 1968.

It is not surprising that loans from financial institutions discussed in the first part of this chapter are conspicuously absent in the walled city of Zaria. This is due to three reasons: first, the insistence of all Nigerian finance institutions, modelled on Western prototypes, that the borrower should have a clear title to the land intended for development. Land owned by lineages or section of lineages is, in case of mortgage default, regarded as a security risk.<sup>33/</sup> (Most land in Zaria walled city is in the hands of lineages.) Second, the demand of such agencies that the mortgagee should use only such permanent building materials as concrete blocks and corrugated iron or asbestos cement roofing sheets for any construction financed by a mortgage loan,<sup>34/</sup> and third, the low average income of household heads in Zaria walled city. For example, as about 69.0 per cent of the sample households earned less than £N. 180 per annum, they are automatically excluded from funds distributed by the Northern Nigeria Housing Corporation. Hence housing loans from institutional sources are generally not available to the inhabitants of the walled city, who are thus left entirely to their own meager financial resources as far as housing is concerned.

In short, between 1963 and 1968, a total sum of about £N. 9,000 was spent by 77 compound heads and various other dependent or semi-dependent household heads on new construction, improvement and maintenance of their compounds. About 84.0 per cent of this money came from the personal savings and income of household heads, over 14.0 per cent came from loans and gifts made by family members and friends, while the rest of about 2.0 per cent came from official loans and/or grants.

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<sup>33/</sup> NATIVE AUTHORITY HOUSING CORPORATION First Annual Report 1961. Housing Loan Rules, No. 38 of 1960 § 7 Section a. p. 12

<sup>34/</sup> Ibid. Second Annual Report 1962/63 p. 13



### Internal Subsidy

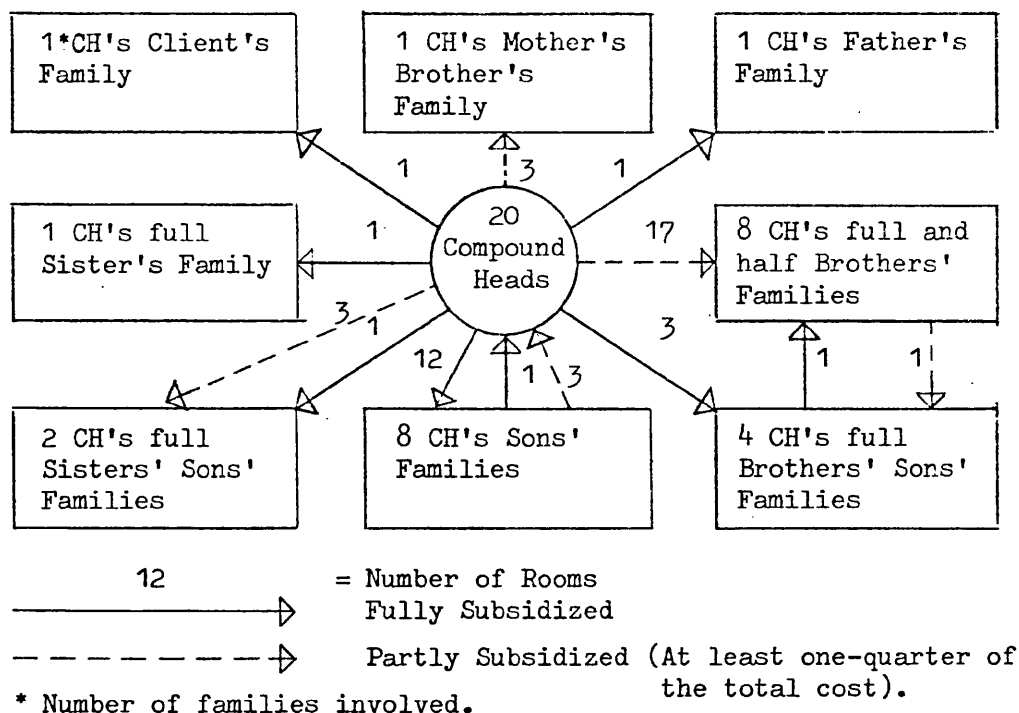
Thus far we have confined our attention almost exclusively to private and institutional resources for housing finance which may be available to compound heads for building purposes, and little has been said about internal subsidy. By internal subsidy I mean the provision of money, building materials or new rooms for close relatives living inside the compound concerned. This may include rooms built by a compound head for his newly-married son or for any other dependent individual or semi-dependent family in need, as well as the opposite, for example, the construction of a room by a well-to-do son for his ageing father. In these terms, of the 182 rooms\* built between December 1963 and November 1968, 42 rooms or 18.5 per cent were either fully or partly subsidized by the compound head and given to dependent families living in the compound concerned, while another 6 rooms were either fully or partly subsidized by 5 dependent or semi-dependent household heads and given to 3 compound heads and 2 dependent families. (See Table A.7.7 on page 408).

The following diagram illustrates the main characteristics of internal subsidies towards new construction made by various household heads during the 5 year period from December 1963 to November 1968.

It will be noted that 12 rooms costing a total of 3,920 shillings were built and paid for by compound heads for their newly-married sons. In addition, two compound heads also built 3 rooms for the families of full brothers' sons. Of the remaining 6 fully subsidized rooms 4 went to various other relatives, while 2 rooms were paid for by the son and full brothers' son of two compound heads.

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\* 45 rooms were built and paid for by dependent or semi-dependent household heads and were not subsidized by the compound head. See Table A.7.7 Section C on page 408.

DIAGRAM 7.1    Distribution of Internal Subsidy

It is interesting to observe that out of 27 partly financed rooms 17 belong to families of the compound heads' full and half brothers, while 3 rooms each were occupied by one compound head's mother's brothers' family and the families of two compound head's full sisters' sons. A further 3 rooms were partly financed by the sons of two compound heads, and one by the compound head's full brother who shared the cost with his son.

In closing we should stress that the information collected covers only a relatively short period (1963-1968) and thus represents only a small proportion of the total internal subsidy that any compound head might give or receive during his life-time.

ENVIRONMENTAL SETTINGGeography and Climate

Ibadan, latitude  $7^{\circ} 26'$  north, longitude  $3^{\circ} 54'$  east, and about 200 m above sea level, lies within the humid high forest zone of Nigeria. Due to the prevalent system of shifting cultivation, in which bush is cleared by fire, virtually no virgin forest remains around Ibadan. The crops grown by farmers in the region include inter alia cocoa and oil-palm produce for export, kola, yams, maize, cassava, rice, oranges, bananas, pepper and various vegetables for the home market.<sup>1/</sup>

Temperatures in Ibadan vary from an average daily maximum of  $33.9^{\circ}\text{C}$  in February and March to an average daily minimum of  $20.6^{\circ}\text{C}$  in August and December. Relative humidity is high throughout the year, ranging from an average daily maximum of 98.0 per cent at 6.30 a.m. GMT in October, to an average daily minimum of 49.0 per cent in February at 12.30 p.m. GMT.<sup>2/</sup> The mean annual rainfall over the period 1905 to 1952 was 1.23 m and most of it falls between March and October. However, there is a slight break in rainfall at mid-summer which is called the "little dry season", and in August rainfall averages 74 mm, as against 132 mm for July and 170 mm for September.<sup>3/</sup> (See Diagram A.8.1 on page 409).

For most of the year, the prevailing winds blow from the south-west, but in the harmattan season, December to February, as the tropical continental air mass moves south, they blow from the north and create a dry season.

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<sup>1/</sup> HODDER, B.W. "The Markets of Ibadan" in Lloyd, P.C. et al., The City of Ibadan Cambridge University Press, 1967, pp. 173-190.

<sup>2/</sup> METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE Tables of Temperature, Relative Humidity and Precipitation for the World Part IV H.M.S.O. London 1964, p. 121

<sup>3/</sup> BRITISH WEST AFRICAN METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES, NIGERIA Preliminary Notes on Rainfall of Nigeria Meteorological Notes No. 2 Lagos 1955

BUCHANAN, K.M. et al. Land and People in Nigeria London 1966 p. 28.

### Topographical Features\*

Ibadan is dominated by a range of hills that run from north to south. The highest point on this range, the Eleiyele Hill, stands over 270 m above sea level and about 60 m above the surrounding countryside. The contemporary city of Ibadan is built around the southern slope of the Aremo ridge and stretches down to the flood plains of the Ogunpa and Kudeti streams, a position which no doubt had strategic advantages that attracted the early settlers. (See Map A.8.1 on page 411).

### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Unlike Zaria, Ibadan is a city of comparatively recent origin, and began as a war encampment for the Yoruba military forces in the early nineteenth century.

According to legend the first known inhabitants in the area were refugees from neighbouring communities and only after Lagelu, a chief and warrior from Ile-Ife, joined them, was the first settlement called Eba-Odan (near the grassland) founded.<sup>4/</sup> This settlement was soon destroyed;<sup>5/</sup> but Lagelu, who survived the event, built a new village on a site near the central city market at Oje Iba.

By the beginning of the nineteenth century, the Oyo Empire which covered an area reaching from Oyo Ile (old Oyo) in the north to the Bight of Benin in the south, and which had enjoyed peace and stability

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\* The main topographical features of Nigeria have been sketched in Chapter 1 on page 27.

<sup>4/</sup> AKINYELE, I.B. The Outlines of Ibadan History Lagos 1946 pp. 28-40

<sup>5/</sup> Ibid. According to legend the first settlement situated near the campus of the University of Ife at Ibadan was destroyed because the inhabitants of Ibadan violated Yoruba customs by accidentally allowing women to see exposed Egungun masquerades, who were regarded as representatives of ancestors on earth.

for about 200 years, was tottering to its end. (See Plan A.8.3 on page 412 ). Its subsequent collapse was due to internal rebellion, inter-tribal wars, and invasions of Fulani horsemen from the north who finally captured Ilorin in the early 1820's and then used it as their headquarters for attacks on other Yoruba settlements.<sup>6/</sup>

Many Yoruba towns in the northern part of the Oyo empire were destroyed by the Fulani forces, for example Oyo Iba in 1837 and an increasing flood of refugees fled south, with the result that the remaining part of the empire was soon plunged into civil war. Slave raiding between the various independent Yoruba kingdoms in the south, encouraged by Ijebu, sparked off the Owu war in c. 1813.<sup>7/</sup> The combined forces of the Ife and Ijebu, joined by Yoruba refugees from Oyo to the north completely destroyed the town of Owu in c. 1823.<sup>8/</sup> After its victory the army routed many Egba towns which gave active support to Owu. It was during this campaign that the allied army chose Ibadan, an Egba village, as their camp.<sup>9/</sup> What began as a war encampment in the middle 1820's soon became a permanent settlement, and so the present city of Ibadan came into existence.

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<sup>6/</sup> JOHNSON, S. The History of the Yorubas Lagos 1960 pp.197-202

<sup>7/</sup> SMITH, R.S. Kingdoms of the Yoruba London 1969 p. 151

<sup>8/</sup> MABOGUNJE, A.L. and OMER-COOPER Owu in Yoruba History Ibadan 1971 pp. 63-69 and 77

<sup>9/</sup> JOHNSON, S. op cit., pp. 223-225

Pre-colonial Ibadan 1829-1893

The allied army that settled at Ibadan comprised the Yoruba from Ife and Oyo who occupied the area around Oje Iba central market and Oke Mapo, the Ijebu who built their houses in an area known today as Isale Ijebu, and the remaining Egba who resided at Iye Osa.<sup>10/</sup>

This heterogeneous population was soon at loggerheads. Open hostilities broke out among the chiefs of these segments and resulted in expulsion of Maye, the Ife army commander who had so far dominated the town, by the numerically stronger Oyo under Oluyole who thence forward ruled the city, thus identifying Ibadan as a predominantly Oyo-Yoruba town which recognized the Alafin of Oyo as their overlord.<sup>11/</sup> With Oluyole in power, an even greater number of Oyo refugees flocked to the city. By 1840 the Ibadan army under Balogun\* Oderinlo was strong enough to inflict a decisive defeat on the Fulani forces at Oshogbo, which effectively checked their advances into Yoruba land.<sup>12/</sup> The rapidly growing military power of Ibadan during the following two decades promoted an expansionist policy under Balogun Ibikunle who duly brought the Ekiti country, south of the city, under the control of Ibadan. (See Plan A.8.3 on page 412 ).

Much of the evidence of Ibadan's history for this period is based on journals and letters written by the Reverend David Hinderer of the Church Missionary Society (CMS) who arrived in the city in 1851.<sup>13/</sup> By 1858 Ibadan

<sup>10/</sup> AWE, B.A. "Ibadan, its Early Beginnings" in Lloyd, P.C. et al., The City of Ibadan op cit., p.14

<sup>11/</sup> JOHNSON, S. op cit., pp. 238-242 Johnson gives a detailed account of these events.

\* Title of the commander-in-chief of the Ibadan army.

<sup>12/</sup> JOHNSON, S. op cit., pp. 285-289

<sup>13/</sup> HINDERER, D. The reports and letter of David Hinderer can be found in the Church Missionary Archives at 4 Salisbury Sq. London E.C.4 under the serial number CA2/O.

had so expanded that it was necessary to build a new town wall, and this extension is known today as Ibikunle's wall.<sup>14/</sup> The new wall, which had four main gates, measured about 17.6 km in circumference and enclosed an area of approximately 2,240 hectares.

With the Ekiti and their country under Ibadan's control its only remaining challenger for effective leadership of the Oyo Yoruba was Ijaye, a town which had so far shared with Ibadan the burden of defending the southern Oyo territories. But with the destruction of Ijaye by a Yoruba army in 1862, Ibadan emerged as the leading military power in Yoruba land.<sup>15/</sup> Other independent Yoruba kingdoms, particularly the Ijebu and Egba of Abeokuta due south of Ibadan, were alarmed by these developments which upset the balance of power in Ibadan's favour. Fear of Ibadan's growing military and economic power prompted the Egba and Ijebu kingdoms, which were ideally situated between Ibadan and the coast, to cut Ibadan's trade routes and block its supply of arms from Porto Novo and Lagos, thus initiating a war which lasted over 16 years and which was only resolved by the intervention of the British Colonial Government at Lagos, when a peace treaty was signed in August 1893.

Before discussing the city under British rule it is necessary to outline briefly the political system of pre-colonial Ibadan, as this is relevant to the city's later development.<sup>16/</sup>

Following the fierce power struggle in its early days, Oluyole, who ruled Ibadan for about 20 years until his death in 1847, established a system of government which persisted until the British occupation in 1893

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<sup>14/</sup> JOHNSON, S. op cit., p. 327

<sup>15/</sup> Ibid. pp. 336-345

<sup>16/</sup> AWE, B.A. The Rise of Ibadan as a Yoruba Power in the 19th Century  
Unpublished Ph.D. Thesis Oxford, 1964

and beyond. (See Table A.8.1 on page 413). At the head of the government was the Bale\* (lit. father of the town) and the Balogun (commander-in-chief of the army). The former was responsible for the civil administration of the town, while the latter was in charge of all major military operations. Both men had equal status and each was assisted by an Otun Bale or Otun Balogun, that is, his right-hand man, and an Osi or lefthand man, who was followed by the third, fourth and fifth in command. Ranked below the Balogun was the Seriki, a junior military leader, who was likewise assisted by an Otun and Osi. Women's interests were represented by the Iyalode who is described by Anna Hinderer in 1854 as "a sort of queen, a person of much influence and looked upon with much respect".<sup>17/</sup> It is especially noteworthy that none of these chieftainship titles was hereditary. In fact any free born male citizen could become a mogaji or head of his patrilineage and most junior title-holders were chosen from these lineage-heads. Chiefs of either division, the military or civil, moved up the social ladder to more prestigious and influential senior titles on the death of a senior title holder. Every patrilineage in town was attached to one important chief who directed the public affairs of the group concerned, but each mogaji could select the chief he preferred and was free to change his allegiance at will. It is clear that the political system of nineteenth century Ibadan was characterized by intense competition for power and influence both among the various lineage groups and among the leading warriors and title-holders.

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\* A Bale ranks generally under an Oba or king

<sup>17/</sup> HINDERER, A. op cit., p. 110



Ibadan under British Rule 1893-1960

The agreement which the chiefs of Ibadan and G.C. Denton the Acting Governor of the Colony of Lagos signed in 1893 restored peace and stability to Yoruba land, but it also incorporated Ibadan and its vassal towns into the British Empire. In the same year Captain Bower became the first Resident in the city.

The British colonial administration established its base on the north-eastern outskirts of the town, and the railroad which reached Ibadan in 1901 had its headquarters and repair-shops at the west of the town, thus setting the pattern for Ibadan's future development. With the railroad came a modern business community, with the result that the area around the station soon developed into the new commercial centre of Ibadan with warehouses, wholesale and retail-shops mainly for goods imported from Europe.<sup>18/</sup> These three institutions, i.e. the colonial administration, the railroad and the modern business community, were the new elements which had the most decisive effects on the growth of the city. The rapid expansion of trade and sharp increase in the number of immigrants to the city were among the first signs of change.

Among the earliest immigrants under colonial rule were the Hausa who already had traditional trading links with the Yoruba, and gradually settled in an area known today as Sabon Gari or new town on the northern outskirts of the city.<sup>19/</sup> They were closely followed by the Ijebu, Egba and Ijesha who settled in wards known as Agbeni, Amunigun, Idikan, Oke Foko and Oke Padre. (For the location of these areas, see Map A.8.2 on page 411).

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<sup>18/</sup> MABOGUNJE, A.L. Urbanization in Nigeria London 1968 pp. 209-213.

AKINOLA, R.A. Ibadan: a Study in Urban Geography Unpublished Ph.D. Thesis, University of London, 1963 pp. 139-157

<sup>19/</sup> COHEN, A. "The Hausa" in Lloyd, P.C. et al., The City of Ibadan op cit., pp. 117-127

COHEN, A. Custom and Politics in Ibadan A Study of Hausa Migrants in Yoruba Towns. London 1969 p. 31

The increasing influx of non-Yoruba traders from Lagos, Benin and Eastern Nigeria after 1920 duly led to the establishment of the suburb of Ekotedo just north of the railway station; but it was not until the early 1930's that the influx of educated young Nigerians to Ibadan to work as clerical staff in administration and commerce began. Most of these immigrants settled along the newly constructed Lagos by-pass in the southwestern part of the city.

In 1946 Ibadan became the headquarters of the Western Region of Nigeria and six years later the capital of a semi-autonomous region. Both events brought new waves of Nigerian and European administrators, businessmen and technicians into the city, and most of these newcomers settled in the rapidly growing western and northern suburbs. Since Nigeria became independent in 1960, Ibadan has continued to attract a large number of people of all walks of life, until its population exceeded a million in the early 1970's.

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HISTORICAL NOTES ON LAND TENURE

In the previous chapter we have seen how Ibadan developed from an encampment of several groups of marauding soldiers in the early 1820's, into a Yoruba Metropolis of c. 100,000 inhabitants by 1893.<sup>1/</sup> The various war chiefs who settled in Ibadan took whatever land they needed for their compounds which were closely surrounded by the houses of their followers. Land granted by these chiefs to their followers or refugees was generally not recoverable by them and thus belonged to the head of the family and his heirs in perpetuity. However, serious crimes or rebellion against the chiefs were often punished by wholesale expulsion of the offending lineage, the destruction of their compounds, and the reallocation of their land to new-comers.

With the rapid increase of Ibadan's population the shortage of farmland around the city was soon apparent, and this situation forced people to move further away in order to find enough virgin bushland for cultivation. Land already cultivated or cleared was later seldom allocated to strangers, but new-comers were able to rent farms and grow food crops. However, such economic trees as oil palms and later cocoa trees, belonged to the owner of the land unless covered by special arrangements. It must be stressed that before the British occupation, land in towns had no market value, and therefore was not sold or bought.<sup>2/</sup>

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<sup>1/</sup> MILLSON, A. The Yoruba Country, West Africa, Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society, Vol.13, No.10, Oct.1891 p. 583. Millson who visited Ibadan in 1891 estimated its population of 120,000.

CARTER, Sir G. Report of the Lagos Interior Expedition 1893 Lagos 1893, p. 47, c 7 227. Carter estimated the number of houses in Ibadan at 15,000 and its population at about 150,000. It is believed that this estimate was probably too high but it was accepted at the time as the official figure.

<sup>2/</sup> WARD PRICE, H.L. Land Tenure in the Yoruba Provinces Lagos 1939 p. 42

During the first twenty years of colonial rule in southern Nigeria, three important laws relating to land were introduced by the British Government. They are: first the Native Lands Acquisition Proclamation No.1 of 1900 which was designed to control the purchase of land by non-Nigerians; second, the Land Registration Ordinance No.15 of 1907 which instituted compulsory registration of all sales of land with the colonial Government; and third, the Crown Lands Ordinance No.13 of 1908 which regulated the management, control and disposal of Crown Land.<sup>3/</sup> However, it is true to say that none of these laws affected the majority of the Yoruba who continued to hold, transfer and use their land in much the same way as their ancestors did. With the development of an economy based on money, transfers of farms and building land for cash instead of the customary gifts which consisted mainly of palm wine, gin and kôla nuts, increased steadily and in spite of the opposition of the traditional and colonial authorities alike.<sup>4/</sup> As one consequence of this development, outright sale of land has now become the most frequent mode of acquisition for building in the cities of Yoruba land.

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<sup>3/</sup> MEEK, C.K. Land Tenure and Land Administration in Nigeria and the Cameroons London 1957 pp. 323-25. Crown land consisted of land acquired from the Royal Niger Company in 1900 and land bought by the Government from individuals, chiefs and obas. Crown land was sometimes leased to European commercial firms.

<sup>4/</sup> WARD PRICE, H.L. op cit., p.61. In 1903 a Public Note was issued in Ibadan making the sale of land under the supervision of the bale. See also Native Court Rule 1918

### LAND TENURE AND TRANSFER TODAY

The main features of Yoruba land tenure were investigated by H.L. Ward Price in 1933 and by P.C. Lloyd between 1956-59.<sup>5/</sup> The three basic categories of land tenure already identified in Chapter 2 apply fully to Ibadan. They are: first, community or public land; second, family land; and third, individually owned land. Community or public land includes inter alia land occupied by administrative buildings, most tarred roads, public markets, forest reserves and reservoirs. Family land (ile ebi) is inherited land which is owned corporately by a lineage and cannot be alienated outside the descent group without the consent of all adult male members of the lineage or section concerned; while individually owned land is usually acquired by purchase and the owner is free to sell or bequeath the land without the restrictions imposed on family land.<sup>6/</sup>

Let us now consider in more detail the various types of land tenure which can be found in Ibadan city and the rights held in land by an individual or descent group. This analysis is based on interviews with 63 compound heads in the older parts of the city and is restricted to land on which the interviewee's compound was built.

#### Permanent Transfers of Land

Inheritance of compounds and compound-sites accounted for 57.1 per cent of the compounds surveyed, and is by far the most important type of land transfer. (See Table A.9.1 on page 414). However, we should distinguish here

<sup>5/</sup> WARD PRICE, H.L. op cit.

LLOYD, P.C. Yoruba Land Law O.U.P. 1962. I did not carry out an investigation of Yoruba land law apart from the 63 household heads interviewed. This Paragraph owes much to P.C. Lloyd's outstanding research on the subject.

ROWLING, C.W. Land Tenure in Ijebu Province Ibadan 1956

ELIAS, T.O. For a pure legal view of Land Tenure see Nigerian Land Law and Custom London 1951 pp. 88-164

COKER, J.O. Family Property Among the Yoruba London 1958 pp. 16-57

<sup>6/</sup> LLOYD, P.C. Yoruba Land Law op cit., pp. 76-86

between the inheritance of the houses (50.8 per cent) and inheritance of land (6.3 per cent) on which the new owner has since built a house. The first category consists mainly of "family compounds" to which all the restrictions discussed earlier under family land apply. The second category is more difficult to define because it includes two different types of land; first, corporately owned family land, for example, the sites of ancestral compounds; and second, land bought by the owner's father and inherited from him. Land of the first category cannot be sold without the consent of the grantor, though all improvements on it, such as, a house built by the present occupant, may in theory be sold by him provided he has notified the lineage head of his intention well in advance. In the second case the land and any house on it can be freely sold by the heir without any restrictions. Thus, inherited land includes some in which the present occupier has only usufructuary rights, and some which can be alienated by the heir without any obstruction.

As regards inheritance, after a man's death his rights in such property as land or a house usually remain with his own omo iya\*, a group comprising his immediate family together with his remaining full siblings and their children.<sup>7/</sup>

Purchase of house-sites accounted for 22.2 per cent of the compounds surveyed. Purchase of land to build on is a relatively recent phenomenon in Ibadan and only developed during the last 50 years. Purchase as contrasted with the customary modes of land transfer in pre-colonial Ibadan requires that a relatively large cash payment should be made to the

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\* For definition of this term see Chapter 11, page 183.

<sup>7/</sup> LLOYD, P.C. Yoruba Land Law op cit., pp. 296-8

vendor, substantially above the value of the customary gifts. There seems to be no simple correlation between the size of a building plot and the price paid for it. For example, five compound heads paid so little for their land that these sums probably represented money substitutes for the traditional gifts presented in return for a customary grant,<sup>8/</sup> while one compound head paid £ 250 in 1965 for a plot measuring about 20 x 30 m.

Allocation of family land is usually made by a land holding descent group to its members in need. This may consist of farmland or land for building, which accounted for 17.5 per cent of the sites surveyed. Land granted for house building is heritable, but cannot be sold by its present owner without the grantor's consent. However, any improvement made by the grantee on the land may be sold by him without the interference of his lineage group.

#### Temporary Transfers of Land

Temporary transfers of land are mainly restricted to farmland and fruit-bearing trees, and may take two forms: first, the pledging or pawning of land in order to obtain a loan; and second, the renting of land for a fixed monthly or annual rent in kind or cash (ishakole). These alternatives have already been discussed in Chapter 2 on pages 43 - 44. However, the sample included two cases in which houses were rented as units to their present occupiers. In both cases, long-term arrangements had been made between the owner and tenant, which gave the tenant the right to sublet rooms.

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<sup>8/</sup>LLOYD, P.C. Yoruba Land Law op cit., p. 327. Lloyd lists three points in which sale differs from customary grant.

- I. The land cannot be recovered by the vendor group.
- II. The land does not revert to the group if it is merely abandoned by the purchaser or his heir.
- III. The purchaser gains by the sale not only a usufructuary right in perpetuity but also a right to alienate the land.

In conclusion, some facts which have changed the traditional mode of land tenure at Ibadan over the last 50 years should be considered. There is little doubt that the concept introduced by the British colonial administration of land as a saleable commodity has substantially changed the attitudes of people towards their land. Historically, sale of land for money was regarded by the Yoruba as immoral and repugnant, and it was even declared illegal in some areas.<sup>9/</sup> However, over the past 50 years sales of building land on the perimeters of larger cities have steadily increased. Many a household head seized this opportunity to free himself of the dependence on his descent group entailed by the traditional mode of land tenure, and built his house on purchased land well away from his ancestral compound in the old city.

In contrast, transfers of corporately owned land by succession or allocation are still in most cases conducted in accordance with the customary law which has changed little over the last 50 years. Hence the great number of families in the older parts of the city only hold usufructuary rights to the land they occupy.

#### LAND USE IN IBADAN CITY

The following summary of data on land use in Ibadan is based on the researches of J.O. Oyelese at the University of Ibadan.<sup>10/</sup> Using a set of aerial photographs from 1965, Oyelese measured and described 12 different categories of land use in the city area.\* For convenience these categories have been reduced to five groups. They are:

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<sup>9/</sup> LLOYD, P.C. Yoruba Land Law op cit., p. 328. According to Lloyd the sale of land in Ondo rural area was illegal. See also pp. 97-135.

<sup>10/</sup> OYELESE, J.O. "The Growth of Ibadan City and its Impact on Land-use Patterns, 1961-1965" in The Journal of Tropical Geography, Vol. 32 June 1971, Singapore, pp. 49-55

\* The total city area given as 10,380 hectares (25,651 acres) was slightly above the area of the 40 city wards, 9,763 hectares being controlled by the Townplanning Authority.



Cultivated land which accounts for 39.0 per cent of the total city area. Cultivated land includes field-crop farms (35.2 per cent), private or government-owned experimental farms (3.2 per cent) and tree-crop farms (0.6 per cent). (See Table A.9.2 on page 414).

The built-up area represents 33.4 per cent of the city area and includes roads as well as open spaces between houses. This category has been further sub-divided into the traditional housing area 14.3 per cent with an average density of about 23 compounds per hectare in the core of the city;<sup>11/</sup> and the modern low and high density housing area (9.4 per cent), which, except for five former European housing reservations and some houses along the Lagos by-pass, were built after the Second World War mainly in the western and northern suburbs of the city. The density of these areas is between four and twelve houses per hectare. A third sub-group comprises all public, educational, industrial and commercial buildings including markets, and accounts for 9.7 per cent of the total city area.

Fallow and Woodland areas account for 18.8 per cent of the city area and include floodplains alongside the Ogunpa and Kudeti streams. According to Oyelese this area has been reduced from 4,219 hectares in 1961 to 1,954 hectares in 1965. The reclaimed land is now partially used for food growing and new housing developments.

Forest reserves. There are three major forest reservations or fuel plantations in the immediate neighbourhood of the town which cover about 780 hectares or 7.5 per cent of the city area; and, there are three main lakes and reservoirs covering c. 125 hectares, or 1.2 per cent of the total area.

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<sup>11/</sup> OYELESE, J.O. "The Growth of Ibadan City and its Impact on Land-Use Patterns, 1961-1965". in The Journal of Tropical Geography op cit., p. 49

IBADAN

The demographic situation of Nigeria has already been sketched in Chapter 3 and here I wish to concentrate on the population growth and accompanying developments at Ibadan. This is followed by some data obtained from my survey in the city and include inter alia age and sex distribution, ethnic composition and rural-urban migration.

The Growth of Ibadan's Population

From its beginning, Ibadan's population increased rapidly, mainly due to the influx of refugees and free-lance soldiers from northern Yorubaland. Thus within the first three decades of its existence Ibadan grew remarkably and by the second half of the nineteenth century, it had already become a large city by any standards. According to David Hinderer, who was the first missionary to arrive in the city, in 1851 Ibadan had an estimated population of about 60,000 inhabitants.<sup>1/</sup> Other missionaries who visited Ibadan in the early 1850's made similar estimates.<sup>2/</sup>

About forty years later, on the eve of colonial rule, British Government officials estimated the population of Ibadan as between 120,000 and 150,000

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<sup>1/</sup> HINDERER, D. Journals, Church Missionary Society (CMS) Archives, CA2/049 London Sep. 1851

<sup>2/</sup> TUCKER, A.W. Abeokuta or Sunrise within the Tropics London 1853, pp. 231-34. Miss Tucker estimated the population of Ibadan at 60,000. It is not clear if this is an estimate arrived at independently or simply a repetition of Hinderer's earlier figure.

BOWEN, T.J. Central Africa: Adventures and Missionary Labors in Several Countries in the Interior of Africa, from 1849-1856. Charleston, South-Carolina, p.218. Bowen estimated the population of Ibadan at 70,000

inhabitants.<sup>3/</sup> Official estimates of Ibadan's population conducted in 1911 gave totals of 175,000, in 1921 238,000, and in 1931 387,000 inhabitants.<sup>4/</sup> No population estimate was made in 1941. (See Table A.10.1 on page 415).

The first census with a house-to-house count was conducted in 1952 and gave a total of 459,000.<sup>5/</sup> A second census in 1962 was never published, but another attempt one year later showed that the urban population of Ibadan had risen to about 627,000 yielding a growth rate of 2.9 per cent per annum over the preceding 11 years.<sup>6/</sup> Today, tentative projections indicate that the population of Ibadan reached the one-million mark by the early 1970's.<sup>7/</sup>

However, all these estimates and census returns, which suggest an impressive and uninterrupted population growth, are somewhat misleading. One reason for this uncertainty lies in the perpetual movement of people which takes place between Ibadan and its rural hinterland. It is well known that a large proportion of families who have houses in the older parts of the city spend most of their time working on their farms, some up to 40 km away. While some of these people visit Ibadan quite regularly, normally

<sup>3/</sup> MOLONEY, A. Notes of Yoruba land and the Colony and Protectorate of Lagos, Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society, New Series No. 10 Vol. 12. London 1890, p. 596. Moloney estimated the population of Ibadan at 150,000.

MILLSON, A. The Yoruba Country, West Africa, Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society, No. 10 Vol. 13, 1891 p. 583. Millson estimated the population of Ibadan at 120,000

CARTER, G. Dispatch from Sir Gilbert Carter furnishing a General Report of the Lagos Interior Expedition C.7227, London 1893 p. 47. Carter estimated the population of Ibadan at 150,000

<sup>4/</sup> COLONIAL OFFICE Official Report on the Southern Nigeria Census 1911, Southern Nigeria Annual Report 1912, pp. 629-56.

COX, H.B. Census of the Southern Provinces, Vol. 3 of the Census of Nigeria, 1931 London 1932

<sup>5/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of the Western Region of Nigeria 1952, Lagos 1956, p. 23

<sup>6/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of Nigeria 1963 Western Region, Vol. 2 Lagos 1968, p. 26

<sup>7/</sup> MABOGUNJE, A.L. Urbanization in Nigeria London 1968 p. 236

once a week, others may only return for the big festivals such as Oke Badan in March, the Egungun festival in June, and other important family occasions.<sup>8/</sup> It has been estimated that at times when agricultural activities are reduced, and during the above mentioned festivals, the population of Ibadan may increase by as much as 30 to 40 per cent.<sup>9/</sup> That such a substantial population fluctuation should occur frequently in the city raises an important question namely: what population was counted in the censuses of 1952 and 1963, the city's permanent residents, those who return regularly to the city, and those who live in surrounding villages and hamlets but nonetheless regard Ibadan as their home, and would probably come to the city in an event such as elections or censuses? Obviously, a clear definition of its various categories of residents is urgently needed at Ibadan, and until this has been done, any census of Ibadan's population will be highly ambiguous.

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<sup>8/</sup> MITCHELL, N.C. Some Comments on the Growth and Character of Ibadan's Population, Research Notes No.4 Dep. of Geography, University College Ibadan 1953 pp. 9-10. Mitchell reports that farmers who live in the immediate surrounding rural area spend on average four nights on their farms and three in Ibadan during any one week.

MORGAN, W.B. The Change from Shifting to Fixed Settlements in Southern Nigeria Research Notes No.7 Dep. of Geography, University College Ibadan 1955, pp.14-25. Morgan found that in spite of permanent residence in the villages, farmers return to Ibadan for the big festivals.

<sup>9/</sup> MILLSON, A. op cit., p. 583. Millson mentioned that "Ibadan counts over 200,000 souls while within the wall of the city itself at least 120,000 people are gathered." The remaining people live in villages and work on their farms.

LLOYD, P.C. Yoruba Land Law Oxford University Press 1962 p. 55. Based on the 1952 census, Lloyd estimated that the "sociological population" of Ibadan is c.700,000 of which approximately 459,000 or 66 per cent were living in Ibadan city.

### The Growth of Ibadan City

Ibadan's growth and the development of its residential districts have been described in detail by A.L. Mabogunje.<sup>10/</sup> As the result of the population growth sketched above, the development of Ibadan can be broadly divided into three periods:

- First the pre-colonial period, 1820 to 1893;
- second the colonial period, 1893 to 1952\*; and
- third the period after independence.

Each of these periods has left its mark on the city by creating an area with distinguished patterns of population density, house types, socio-economic and cultural characteristics.

Developments during the pre-colonial period from the early 1820's to 1893 established two similar areas, namely, the "core region" an area which S. Johnson described as "about half a mile around Oje Iba market",<sup>11/</sup> and second, a surrounding built-up area which stretched in 1893 as far as Agbeni and Foko in the west, Kudeti in the south, Elekuro and Aremo in the east, and Agodi in the north-east. (See Plan 10.1 on page 167). Today, these areas house about half of Ibadan's population and are by far the most densely populated parts of the city. Present levels of population density are attributed by A.L. Mabogunje to "growth by fission", that is "the replacement of simple large structures (i.e. the traditional Yoruba compound built around one more more spacious courtyards) by more complex

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<sup>10/</sup> MABOGUNJE, A.L. "The Growth of Residential Districts in Ibadan" in Geographical Review, Vol. 52 pp. 56-57.

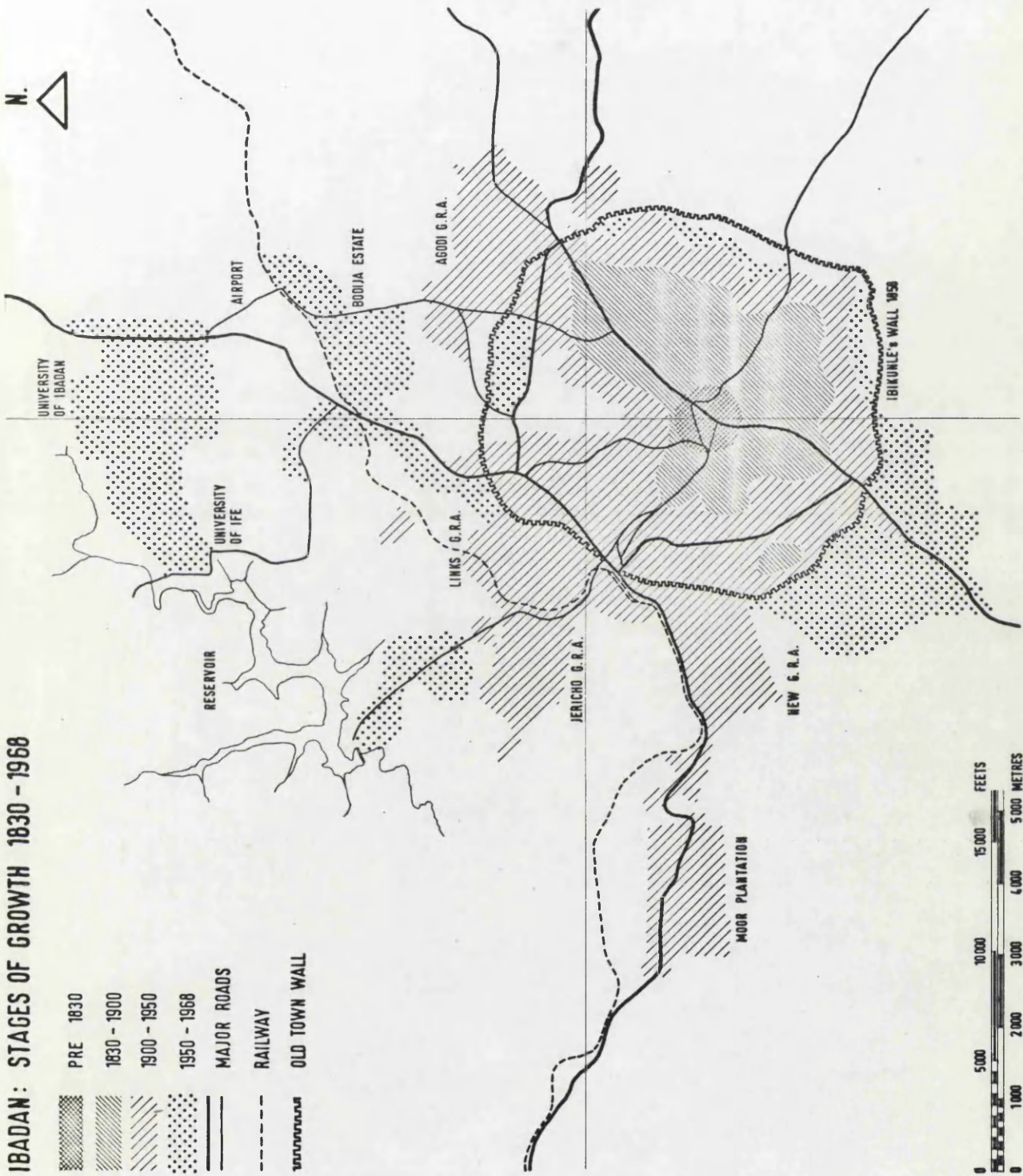
MABOGUNJE, A.L. "The Morphology of Ibadan" in The City of Ibadan ed. Lloyd, P.C. et al., Cambridge 1967 pp. 35-56

MABOGUNJE, A.L. Urbanization in Nigeria op cit., pp. 205-37

\* In 1952 Ibadan became the capital of a semi-autonomous Western Region with the transfer of political power from the British Colonial Government to the nationals of the region. The political independence of Nigeria came in October 1960.

<sup>11/</sup> JOHNSON, S. The History of the Yorubas Lagos 1960 p. 244

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and more numerous smaller units.<sup>12/</sup> (See Table A.10.2 Group I and II column 4 on page 415). Nearly all houses built in this central area have mud walls covered with corrugated iron roofs.

The colonial period from about 1893 to 1952 was marked by a rapid expansion of the city. Most immigrants to Ibadan during this period settled to the west and north of the old city. Some of the houses built in these areas have mud walls rendered with cement plaster and covered with corrugated iron roofs, while others are constructed with modern building materials and include such amenities as piped water and electricity. The steady increase of European administrators, technicians and businessmen from 58 in 1921 to over 2,000 in 1952 led to the construction of five residential reservations in the city. Until 1952 these reservations were exclusively occupied by Europeans, but since the transfer of political power that year, the Europeans have gradually been replaced by Nigerians of similar rank and income.

Since 1952 Ibadan's development has largely been initiated by a new class of Nigerian professionals who took over the administration of the region. Their demand for modern and more spacious houses equipped with all necessary sanitary and household amenities sparked off new developments in the south-western suburbs beyond the nineteenth century town wall and to a lesser extent in the northern parts of the city including the Bodija Housing Estate. In the early 1960's the spatial expansion of the city was indeed impressive. For example, in 1961 Ibadan's total built-up area was c. 2,630 hectares, but by 1965 this had increased to c. 3,470 hectares, that is by about 30.0 per cent in only four years. Of this expansion,

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<sup>12/</sup> MABOGUNJE, A.L. "The Growth of Residential Districts in Ibadan" in Geographical Review op cit., p. 60. (Words in parenthesis are mine.)

traditional and modern housing areas accounted for c. 530 hectares, while public, industrial, commercial and educational building areas increased by about 310 hectares.<sup>13/</sup>

### Ethnic Composition

The ethnic composition of Ibadan Division as shown in Table 10.1 below is derived from the 1952/3 and 1963 census reports.

TABLE 10.1    Ethnic Composition of Ibadan Division, Census 1952 + 63  
in Percentages

	1952 <sup>14/</sup>	1963 <sup>15/</sup>
Yoruba	96.2	95.0
Other Southern Nigerian Tribes	1.7	3.7
Northern Nigerian Tribes	1.6	0.9
Non-Nigerians	0.1	0.2
Unspecified	0.4	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0

According to the 1963 census only about 5 per cent of the total divisional population were non-Yoruba. The largest group of these non-Yoruba immigrants were Ibo from Eastern Nigeria, who increased from 7,800 in 1952 to c. 26,000 in 1963. Unfortunately none of these censuses provide us with a breakdown of the various Yoruba sub-groups such as the Egba, Ijebu and Oyo, to name only the most important groups, who together form the largest immigrant group in Ibadan. However, data cited below give some indication of the proportion of non-indigenous Yoruba within my sample population.

<sup>13/</sup> OYELESE, J.O. "The Growth of Ibadan City and its Impact on Land-use Patterns, 1961-1965" in The Journal of Tropical Geography Vol. 32 June 1971, Singapore, pp. 49-55

<sup>14/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of the Western Region of Nigeria 1952 op cit., p. 18

<sup>15/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of Nigeria 1963 op cit., Vol. 2, p. 70



SAMPLE SURVEY

Data from the sample survey regarding the age and sex distribution, ethnic composition and some aspects of the rural-urban immigration are given below.

The sample population covered 1,285 persons representing about 0.2 per cent of the total population of Ibadan.

Age and Sex Distribution

The age composition of the sample population was collected with the help of the so-called "historical calendar method" by which individual ages are estimated by reference to past events that give their approximate date of birth. However, it must be stressed again that while this method generally restricts errors within somewhat narrower limits, it does not entirely exclude misinformation.

The following table gives the age and sex ratios of the sample population, for comparison with the census returns for Ibadan Division in 1952 and 1963.

TABLE 10.2      Population Distribution by Sex and Age Groups in Ibadan in Percentages

	Ibadan Div. 1952 Total Pop. 796,900	Ibadan Div. 1963 Tot. Pop. 1,258,600	Sample Surv. 1968 Total Pop. 1,285
0-14	50.9	31.9	41.2
15-49	41.0	62.3	49.9
50+	8.1	5.8	8.9
Male	51.4	53.9	48.1
Female	48.6	46.1	51.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

A more detailed bar-chart on page 418 shows comparative percentage distribution for male and female at five-year intervals for Ibadan Division in 1963 and for the sample survey population. As can be seen in Diagram A.10.1 on page 418, the sex and age distributions in 1963 was seriously affected by age-selective immigration which resulted in a substantial excess of males and females in the age-groups 20 to 29. This pattern of age distribution, which has been widely accepted as "normal" for rapidly growing urban centres in Africa, is far less pronounced in the survey sample population, as shown in Diagram A.10.2 on page 418. Two likely explanations for these differences in age distribution are the smallness of the sample coupled with the fact that only 26 compounds or 40 per cent of the sample were situated in predominantly immigrant areas of the city.

The sex ratio given in Table 10.2 on page 170 shows an excess of males over females in both the 1952 and 1963 census, while there are slightly more females than males in the sample population. However, it is interesting to note that for tenant households in the sample, most of whom are immigrants, the sex ratio is reversed with 53.2 per cent male and 46.8 per cent female. There is also a notable increase of males and females in the age groups between 25 and 34. (See Table A.11.3 on page 421).

#### Ethnic Composition

The ethnic composition of the sample population closely resembles the figures given in Table 10.1 on page 169 and is as follows: Yoruba 94.0 per cent; other southern Nigerian tribes 3.7 per cent; northern Nigerian tribes with 2.3 per cent.

### Migration

As we have seen, migration has always played an important part in Ibadan's population growth. It was the large number of immigrants who came to the city in the late 1830's and early 1840's who helped to establish Ibadan as the leading military power in Yoruba land; and, after the first years of British rule, it was again a never-ending stream of immigrants from all over Nigeria who contributed to the economic growth and wealth of the city.

It is thus not surprising that in all 330 persons, 164 males and 166 females, or together 25.7 per cent of the sample population were born outside Ibadan. Most male immigrants in this group came to Ibadan in search for work or better trading opportunities, while nearly two thirds of the females came as wives.

Some distinction must be made here between the long-range migration of people coming from other parts of the country, and the short distance population movements mentioned above that take place between Ibadan and its surrounding countryside. In this section we are concerned only with people of the first category.

As already shown in Table 10.1 on page 169, only about 5 per cent of the population in Ibadan Division are not Yoruba. This relatively small proportion, which roughly corresponds with my own findings, c. 6 per cent, indicates that the majority of immigrants must have come from other Yoruba sub-groups and for this reason were not separately counted among the immigrants in the censuses of 1952 and 1963. Table A.10.3 on page 419 tries to answer this question for the household heads in the sample. Of the 295 household heads who replied, 135 or 45.8 per cent were born outside Ibadan. Of these latter 115 or 39.0 per cent belonged to one of

several Yoruba sub-groups, 14 or 4.8 per cent were members of various other South Nigerian tribes such as Ibo and Edo, and 6 or 2.0 per cent came from northern Nigeria. The largest tribal sub-group among the 115 Yoruba household heads were Egba of Abeokuta, with 29 or 9.8 per cent, followed by Ijebu with 15 or 5.1 per cent, and Oyo with 11 or 3.7 per cent.

Since over 45.0 per cent of all household heads are immigrants, what, one may ask, happens to newcomers when they move to Ibadan. Do they still group themselves according to their ethnic origin? In the past immigrants of the same tribal group tended to congregate in certain areas. Thus when the first Ijebu and Egba arrived at the beginning of this century they settled at the western outskirts of the built-up area in districts now known as Agbeni, Idikan, Amunigun and Oke Foko. (See Map A.8.2 on page 411). Hausa and Nupe from the North built their houses in the Sabon Gari or new town, and at Mokola on the northern fringe of the city, while Ibo, Edo, Ibibio and the people from Lagos are mainly found in Ekotedo and the neighbouring Inalende. This general pattern has not substantially changed.

Informants among the sample of household heads who immigrated to Ibadan agreed on the central role played by kinsfolk, town or village unions and associations in assisting newcomers in their search for employment in town; and immediate kin, or in their absence people from the same village, town or ethnic group provided the necessary shelter. Such close contact with his own group provided the newcomer with a sense of belonging and security which greatly helped him to adapt more easily to the new urban environment. However, there are indications that after this initial stage of adaptation, well-to-do household heads often prefer to settle among people of their own status and income group, rather than in areas dominated by their own ethnic group.<sup>16/</sup>

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<sup>16/</sup> SKINNER, E.P. "Strangers in West African Societies" in Africa Vol. XXXIII 1963 pp. 307-20

The following discussion of domestic groupings is divided into three parts. The first part gives a brief description of various house-types found in the older districts of the city; the second deals with Yoruba household and kinship patterns based on my survey of 63 compounds in Ibadan; while the last part analyses the distribution of floor area in various kinds of households.

### THE COMPOUND

#### Lay-Out and Organization

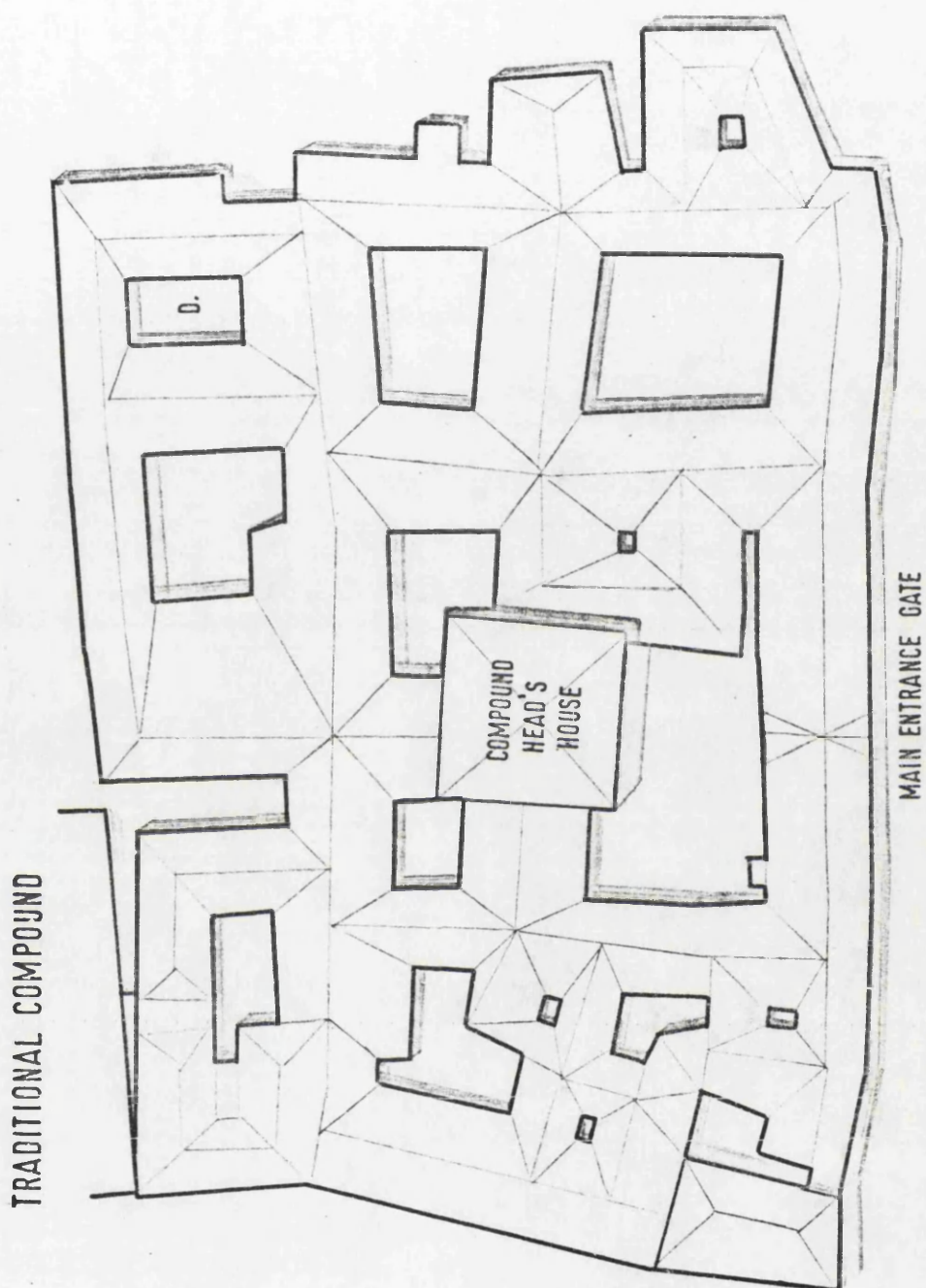
Most compounds found in the older districts of the city can be grouped into two major categories; first, the traditional Yoruba compound built around one or more spacious courtyards; and second, a much smaller house with fewer rooms grouped around a central hall or corridor.

The traditional Yoruba compound (agbo-ile) is inhabited by a lineage or section of a lineage consisting of a group of patrilineally related families (ara-ile, lit., residents of the house) descended through males from a common ancestor. The compound head (bale) usually has his rooms where he receives visitors and entertains his friends opposite the main entrance. Strangers, clients and more distant relatives usually have their rooms near the entrance gate.<sup>1/</sup> Nearly all rooms in the compound face the courtyard(s), and each has a covered veranda or portico in front where most of the daily housework including cooking is done. Today, only a few such compounds have survived in Ibadan, and only one was studied by the author, though not included in the survey. (See Plan 11.1 and 11.2 on pages 175-176).

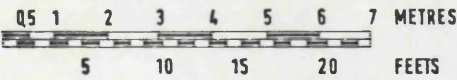
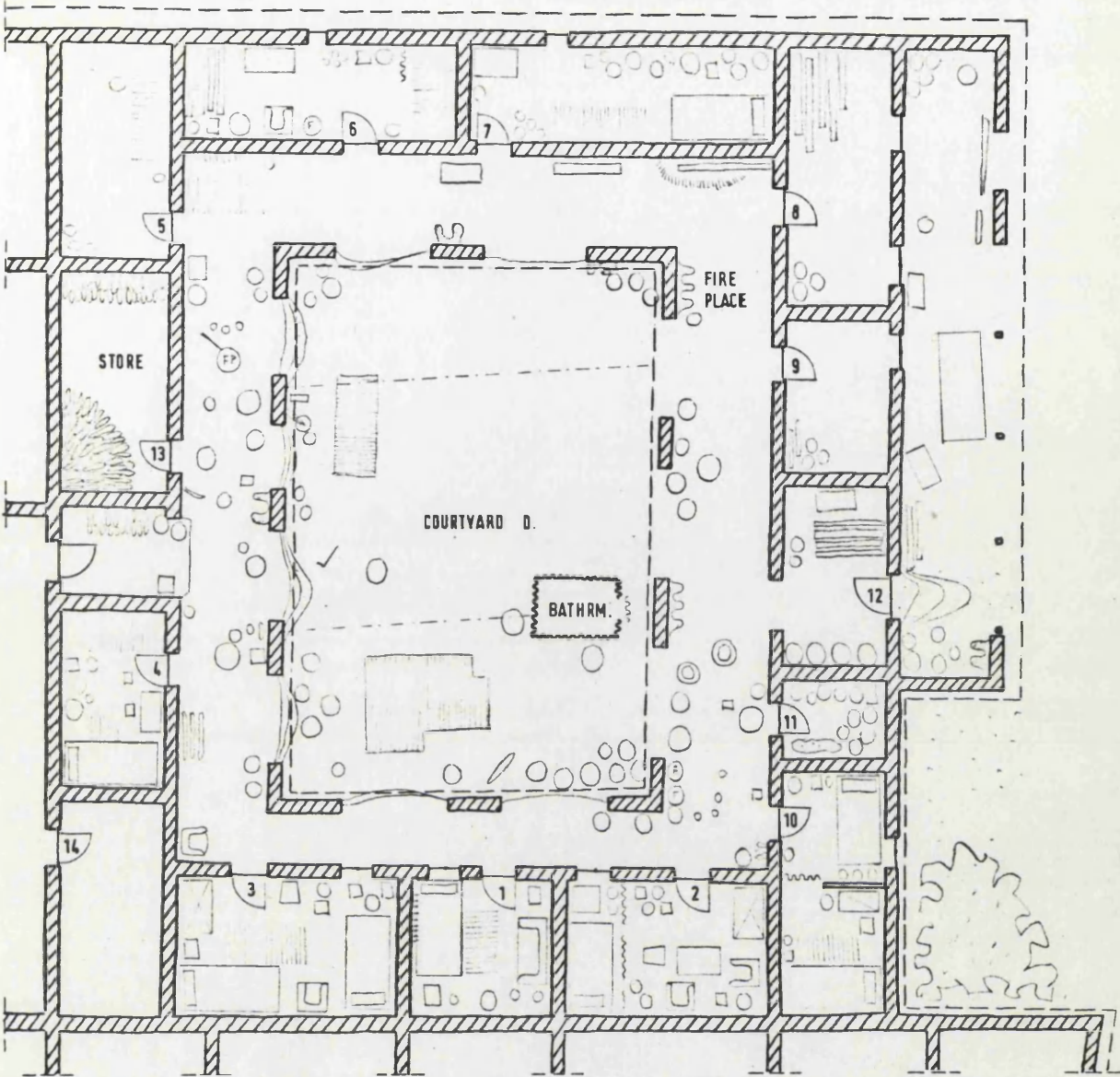
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<sup>1/</sup> LLOYD, P.C. "The Yoruba Lineage" in Africa, vol. XXV, No. 3 1955, p. 238

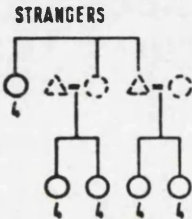
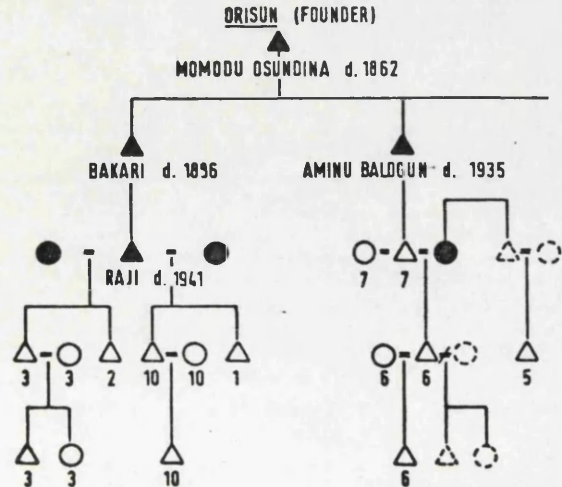
PLAN 11.1    Traditional Compound in Ibadan



TRADITIONAL COMPOUND PLAN 11.2 A Courtyard in a Traditional Compound in Ibadan



- KEY
- C.H. = COMPOUND HEAD
  - △ = MARRIED
  - = ROOM NUMBER
  - △ = TWINS
  - △ = CHILDREN
  - = DEAD
  - <1 = AGE DIED
  - △ = LIVING OUTSIDE
  - △ = DIVORCED





The second house-type mentioned above consists of a double row of rooms which open onto a common hall or passage. The central hall is of great importance for the running of the house and serves not only as a common place for working, sitting and storage, but also as an additional sleeping area for overnight guests from the village. (See Plan 11.3 on page 178). In more recently built houses, the spacious central hall has been replaced by a central corridor or passage which leads onto a back-yard which usually contains a common kitchen, bathroom, pit-latrine, and one or two storage rooms. (See Plan 11.4 on page 178). This latter type, which has on average between six and eight rooms, is by far the most frequently built house-type in the city today. In predominantly immigrant areas such as Ekotedo, Inalende, Mokola and Molete, this type of house may have many more rooms and even a second floor which is sometimes occupied by the owner and his family, while all other rooms are rented out to immigrant families. (See Plan 11.5 on page 179).

Another clearly recognizable house-type is the modern self-contained dwelling built with permanent building materials and including all the necessary sanitary installations such as water and electricity. These houses are normally designed by Architects for the Government, for Housing Corporations, Housing Societies and wealthy individuals; they are described in various publications and have not been included in my survey.<sup>2/</sup>

Finally, the so-called "Brazilian Houses" must be mentioned. Originally reserved for houses built in the second half of the nineteenth century in Lagos and other West African coastal towns by former slaves returning from South America, the term is now very loosely used to denote any two-storey house with a central corridor, a decorated street elevation, and brightly

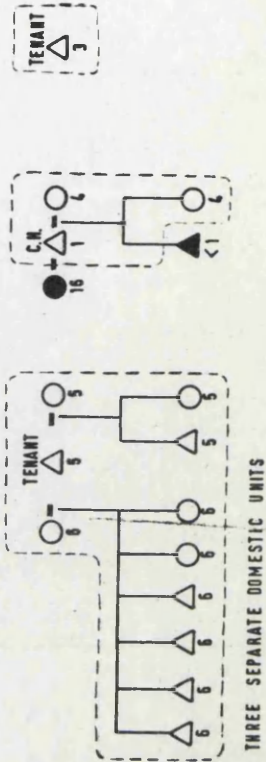
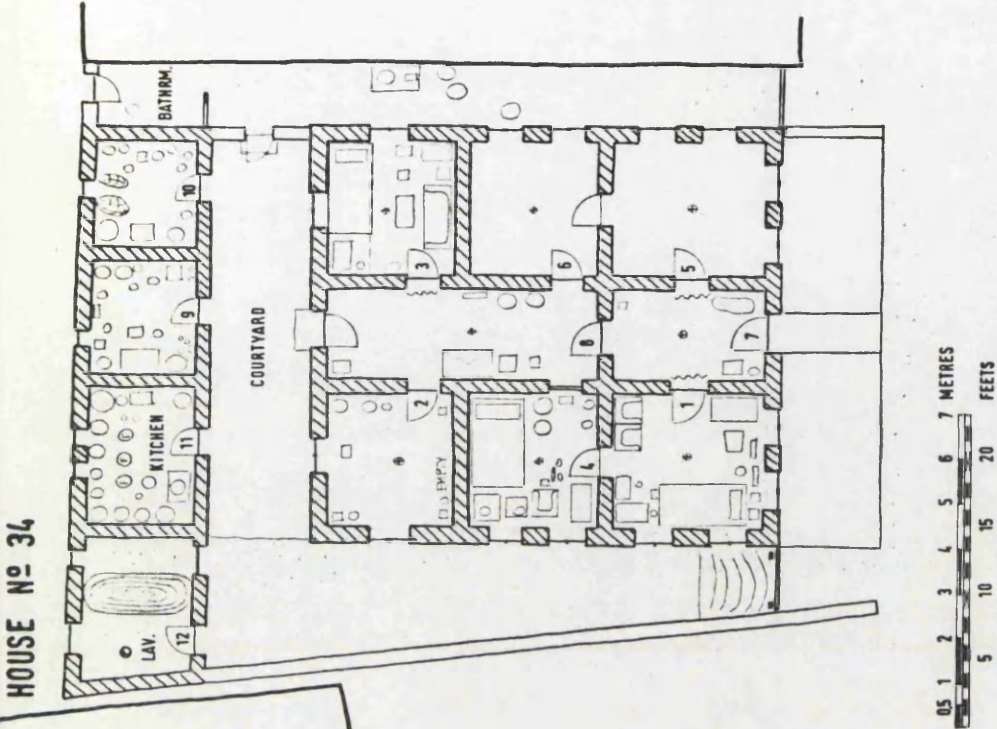
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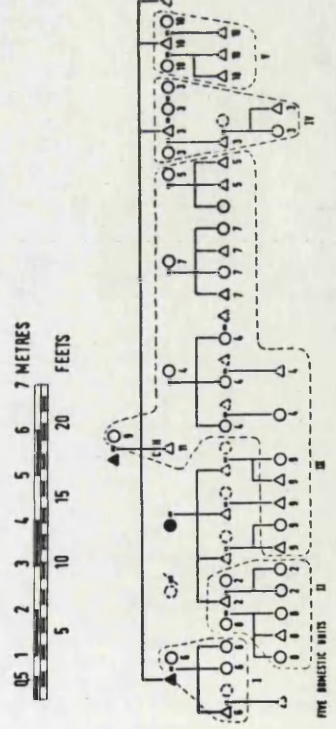
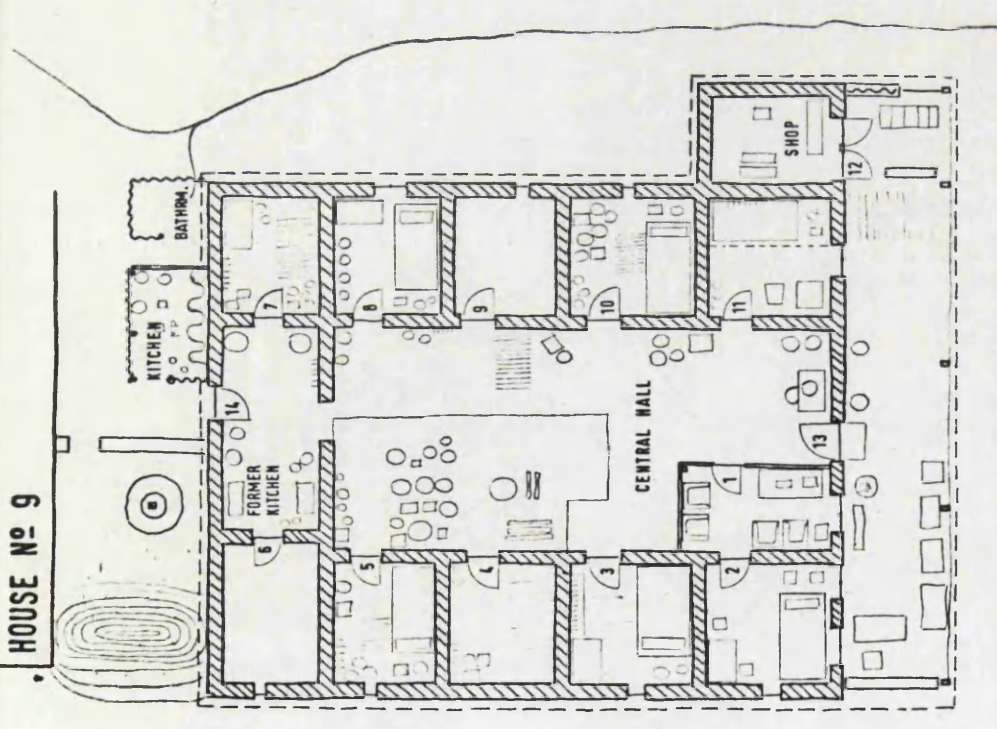
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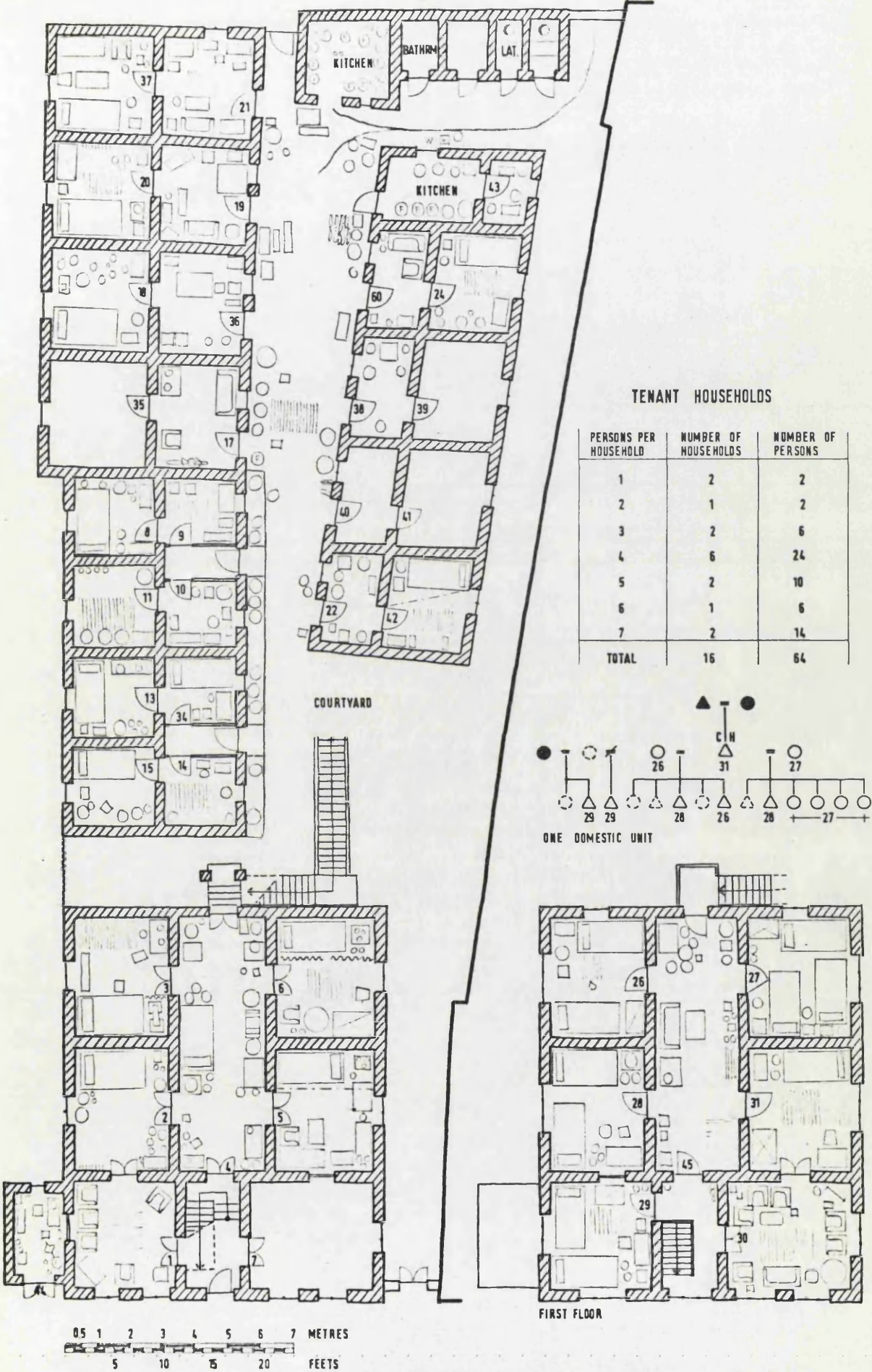
PLAN 11.4 House 34



PLAN 11.3 House 9



HOUSE № 23 PLAN 11.5 House 23



coloured balustrades. To the best of my knowledge there is no original "Brazilian House" found in Ibadan, but a few have survived in Lagos.

### Land Use

Data on land use given below derive from measurements taken in 63 compounds in Ibadan. The compounds surveyed cover a total area of 18,125 sq.m.\* divided between the built-up area of 12,379 sq.m. or 68.2 per cent and the open area of 5,733 sq.m. or 31.8 per cent, the average size per compound being 288.0 sq.m. or 3,100.0 sq.ft. The open area can be subdivided into four categories.

Unpaved areas in courtyards and around compounds. These covered 3,878 sq.m. or 67.2 per cent of the total open area.

Cement platforms which covered 1,549 sq.m. or 26.8 per cent of the open area. Cement platforms found in courtyards are used as outdoor working areas, while those in front of compounds are occasionally occupied by traders to display their goods.

Pit-latrines and washing places covered 162 sq.m. or 2.8 per cent of the open area; and

Storage space occupied 184 sq.m. or 3.2 per cent of the total open area. The items most frequently stored there included such building materials as sundried bricks and cement blocks as well as firewood and old clay pots. No cultivated land was found in any compound. (See Table A.11.1 on page 420).

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\* The total area includes the built-up area, 47 courtyards average size 62.5 sq.m. and other open areas surrounding the compound which are exclusively used by the inhabitants of the house. Public or semi-public footpaths and other open areas alongside the house are excluded. The area given above does not necessarily correspond with the total area owned by the family concerned.



### Type and Size of Rooms

The built-up area in all the 63 compounds surveyed contained a total of 1,099 rooms, averaging 17.4 per compound. The total floor area of 9,522 sq.m. is divided into four categories.

Living areas accounted for 7,958.6 sq.m. or 83.6 per cent of the total floor area. This category includes 578 rooms with an average size of 8.0 sq.m. which are used for sleeping; 50 sitting rooms or parlours with an average size of 10.9 sq.m.; 86 central halls with an average size of 24.7 sq.m.; 54 storage rooms for personal belongings with an average size of 6.3 sq.m.; and 51 temporarily empty living and/or sleeping rooms. With a total of 814 rooms this is by far the most important group.

Common rooms accounted for 544.9 sq.m. or 5.7 per cent of the total floor area. This category includes 66 entrance lobbies with an average size of 5.8 sq.m. and 19 passages and staircases.

Basic ancillary facilities accounted for 728.3 sq.m. or 7.6 per cent of the total floor area. This includes 57 kitchens with an average size of 7.1 sq.m., 35 store rooms with an average size of 4.6 sq.m., and 69 toilets and bathrooms.

Commercially used rooms accounted for 290.5 sq.m. or 3.1 per cent of the total floor area. This category comprised 35 shops and/or workshops with an average size of 7.4 sq.m., two storage rooms for trade goods and two permanent stables. (See Table A.11.7 on page 424).

### SOCIAL STRUCTURE AND KINSHIP ORGANIZATION

In the following pages I first summarize some categories of Yoruba social structure and kinship organization, and then relate these ideas to the compounds surveyed and their inhabitants. Among many distinguished scholars who have studied the Yoruba of south-western Nigeria, the works of W.R. Bascom, W.B. Schwab and P.C. Lloyd were of particular interest for my study.

As already mentioned the Yoruba of Nigeria\* are an urban people who have lived in large urban communities for several centuries.<sup>3/</sup> Today, over half of the total Yoruba population in Nigeria live in urban settlements having 20,000 and more inhabitants.

The kinship organization of the northern Yoruba, which includes the people of Ibadan, is based on agnatic kinship groups.<sup>4/</sup> The Yoruba patrilineage (idi'le) is defined by reference to the lineage founder (orisun) and consists of all recognized agnatic descendants of that ancestor. The known history of a patrilineal descent group may be several generations in depth, and is often preserved in ritual chants (rara) and praise songs (oriki). In Ibadan the lineage founder is usually 3 to 5 generations remote from the oldest living member of the group. According to B. Lloyd some large lineage groups contain more than one thousand living members who occupy several adjoining compounds.<sup>5/</sup>

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\* There are small groups of Yoruba living in Togo and Dahomey.

<sup>3/</sup> BASCOM, W.R. "Urbanization Among the Yoruba" in American Journal of Sociology, vol. LX No. 5 1955, pp. 446-54

<sup>4/</sup> LLOYD, P.C. "Agnatic and Cognatic Descent Among the Yoruba" in Man, The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, Vol. I No. 4 1966, pp. 484-500

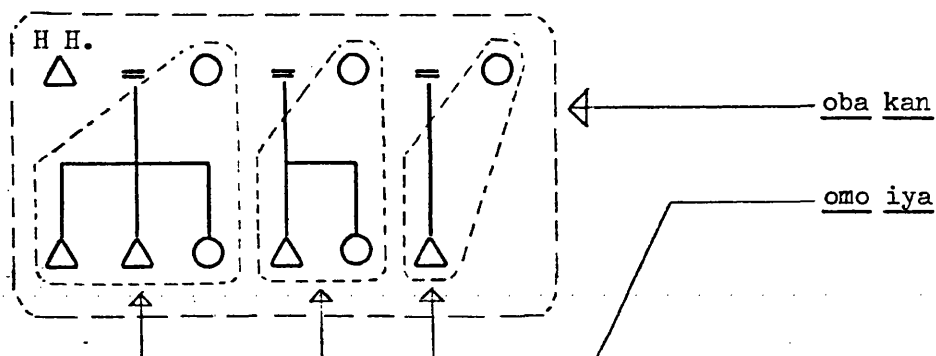
LLOYD, P.C. Yoruba Land Law op cit., p. 56

SCHWAB, W.B. "Kinship and Lineage Among the Yoruba" in Africa, vol. XXV No. 4 1955, pp. 352-74

<sup>5/</sup> LLOYD, B. "Indigenous Ibadan" in The City of Ibadan ed. Lloyd, P.C. et al. op cit., pp. 59-83

Within each lineage there are divisions into segments known as igun or oripun. Each segment may occupy the rooms around one courtyard, or it may occupy a separate compound which is the base of a co-residential kinship group and the unit of analysis in this study. The population of a compound may be further divided into various related individual families. The individual family which consists of the male head, his wife or wives and his own children, is known among the Yoruba as oba kan.\* As Yoruba are polygamous, an oba kan may be sub-divided into the children of each of the head's wives. These groups are known as omo iya, lit., children of the same mother. Hence, an oba kan group contains as many omo iya as the male head has wives with children. This pattern is illustrated in the diagram below.

DIAGRAM 11.1    Yoruba Kinship and Descent



However, like the Yoruba, we have to extend an omo iya group beyond the limit of the individual family. Unless all his full siblings are dead, the family head who is normally male is a member of the omo iya group into which he was born; and with his own children these persons will be regarded as part of a wider close-knit kinship group, which may form the base of a co-residential kinship group.

\* Oba kan and omo iya are terms which describe the relationship between children and their parents. I will follow here P.C. Lloyd in extending both terms to denote a group of people so related.

So far we have briefly discussed the various kinds of kinship groups recognized by the Yoruba and we must now turn to the division of the compound population into economic units or households. As already pointed out in Chapter 4 on page 63, the compound population is not necessarily divided into economic units along kinship lines and a household may include several other related or unrelated persons.

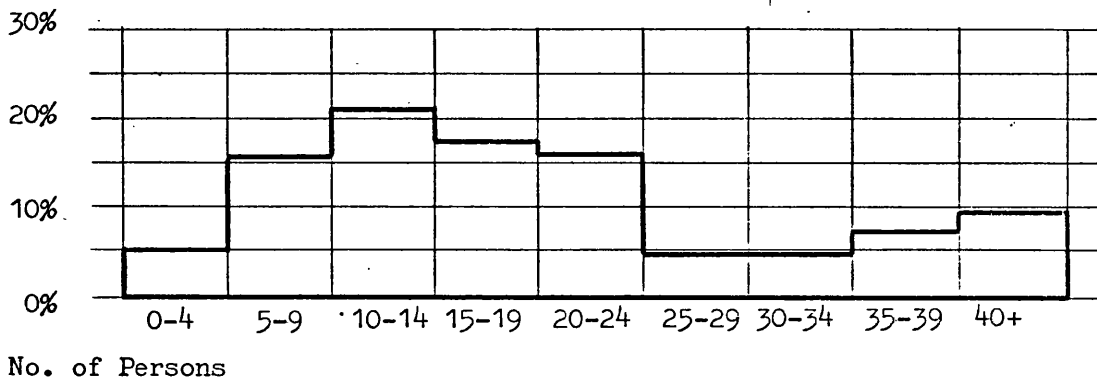
The 63 compounds surveyed in Ibadan contained a total of 295 households which fall into three categories. First, there is the compound head's household; second, there are all other related households which are dependent or semi-dependent; and third there are tenant households which pay a weekly or monthly rent for their rooms.

In the following pages I intend to examine these three different categories of households before discussing the various forms of family groupings and the cyclic tendency which regulates their growth, decline and size.

Population and Household Data

The population distribution of these 63 compounds is given below.

DIAGRAM 11.2    Number of Persons per Compounds in Percentages



Over two thirds or 69.8 per cent of the sample compounds have populations that range between 5 and 24 persons, the average being 20.4 persons per compound. However, 11 or 17.4 per cent of these compounds contained between 30 and 49 persons, while 2 or 3.2 per cent had 52 and 76 persons respectively. The two largest compounds are "tenement-houses" situated in predominantly immigrant areas west of the old city.

Variations in the size of the three types of households distinguished above are compared in Diagram 11.3 on page 186. The three diagrams reveal some interesting features. Nearly three quarters of all compound heads' households have populations that range between 3 to 10 persons, whereas, nearly half of all dependent households have populations of 3 to 4, and over 50 per cent of tenant households only 1 to 2 persons. The average size of households decreases from 7.2 persons per households in the first category to 4.2 persons in dependent households and 3.0 persons in tenant households. These differences in household size are partly due to the fact that the two latter types of households consist mainly of "young households".\* For example, only 14.9 per cent of wives of dependent household heads and 4.3 per cent of wives of tenant household heads have passed childbearing age (40 plus), as against 41.8 per cent of all compound heads' wives. Furthermore, the lack of cheap and suitable accommodation as well as the generally lower income of the heads of these dependent and tenant households, a topic discussed in the next chapter, tends to limit, at least temporarily, the number of children in these families.

In the following table a preliminary discrimination is made among men in each of these three households according to the numbers of their wives.

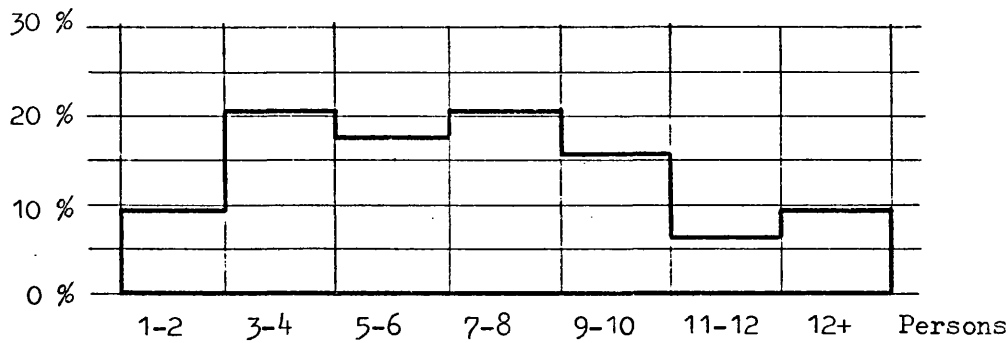
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\* For the age of household heads see Table A.11.3 and A.11.4 on page 421.

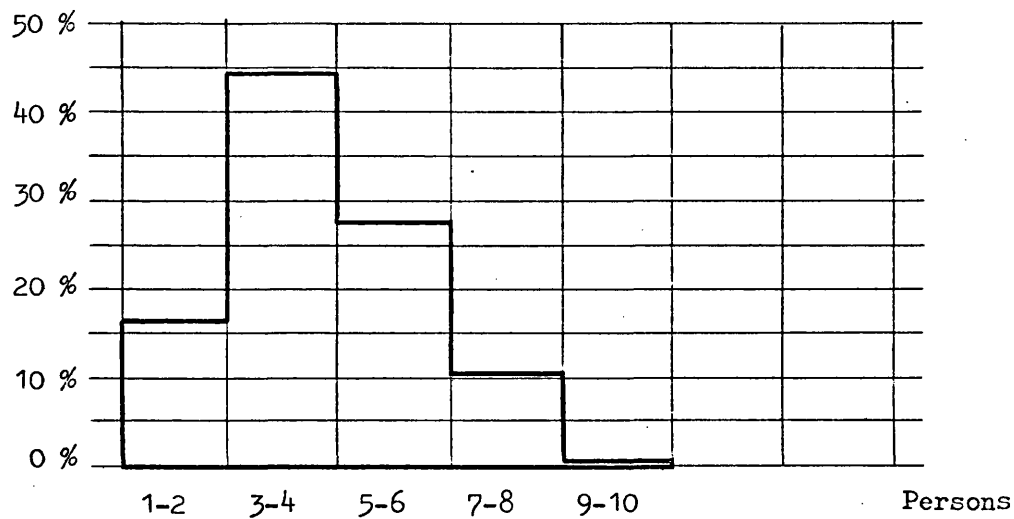


DIAGRAM 11.3    Number of Persons per Household in Percentages

A. Compound Heads' Households (63)



B. Related Dependent or Semi-Dependent Households (108)



C. Tenant Households (124)

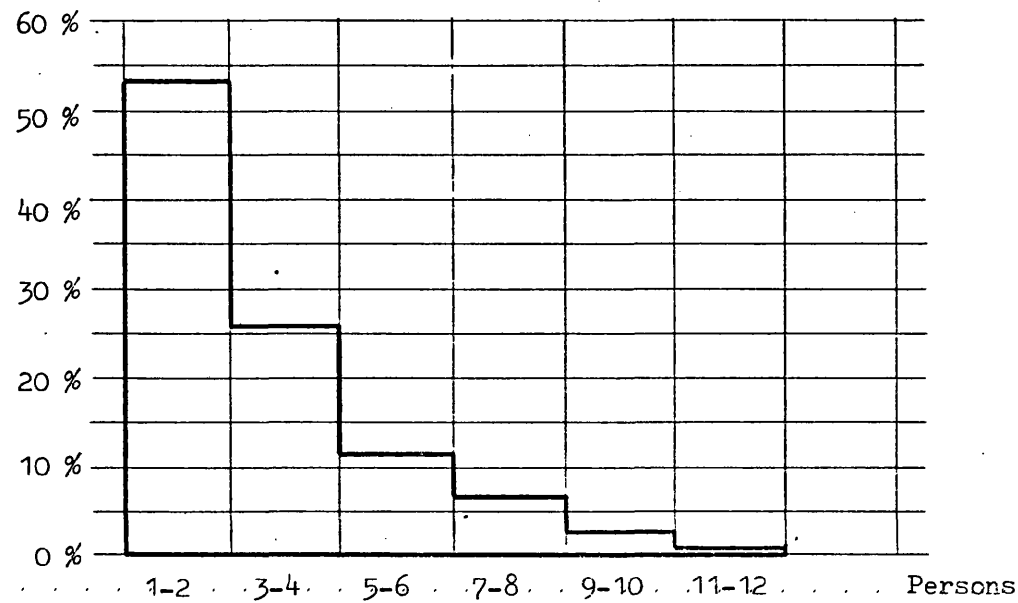


TABLE 11.1      Distribution of Wives per Married Man

Column	1		2		3		4	
Type of Househ.	Com.Head		Dep.H.H.		Tenant H.H.		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Male with 1 wife	28	46.7	70	70.7	85	89.5	183	72.0
Male with 2 wives	19	31.6	23	23.2	10	10.5	52	20.5
Male with 3 wives	10	16.7	6	6.1	-	-	16	6.3
Male with 4 wives	3	5.0	-	-	-	-	3	1.2
Total	60	100.0	99	100.0	95	100.0	254*	100.0
No. of wives	108		134		105		347	
% of males in polygamous families		53.3		29.3		10.5		27.9
% of females in polygamous families		74.1		47.8		19.0		47.3
Average no. of wives per married man	1.8		1.3		1.1		1.4	

This table shows clearly the dominant economic position of the compound head and the prestige generally associated with polygamous marriages among both the Christian and Moslem communities in Ibadan.

The age and sex distribution as well as the marital status of the sample population is given on page 188. The bar-chart indicates that young persons of both sexes but particularly females marry on average at a later age than their counterparts in Zaria. About half of the 49 widowed females who lived in the compounds surveyed are former wives of deceased compound heads. Some widows, who are no longer able to work, were supported by

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\* There were 41 households whose head was either single, divorced or widowed.

DIAGRAM 11.4 Survey Sample Population by Sex, Age and Marital Status

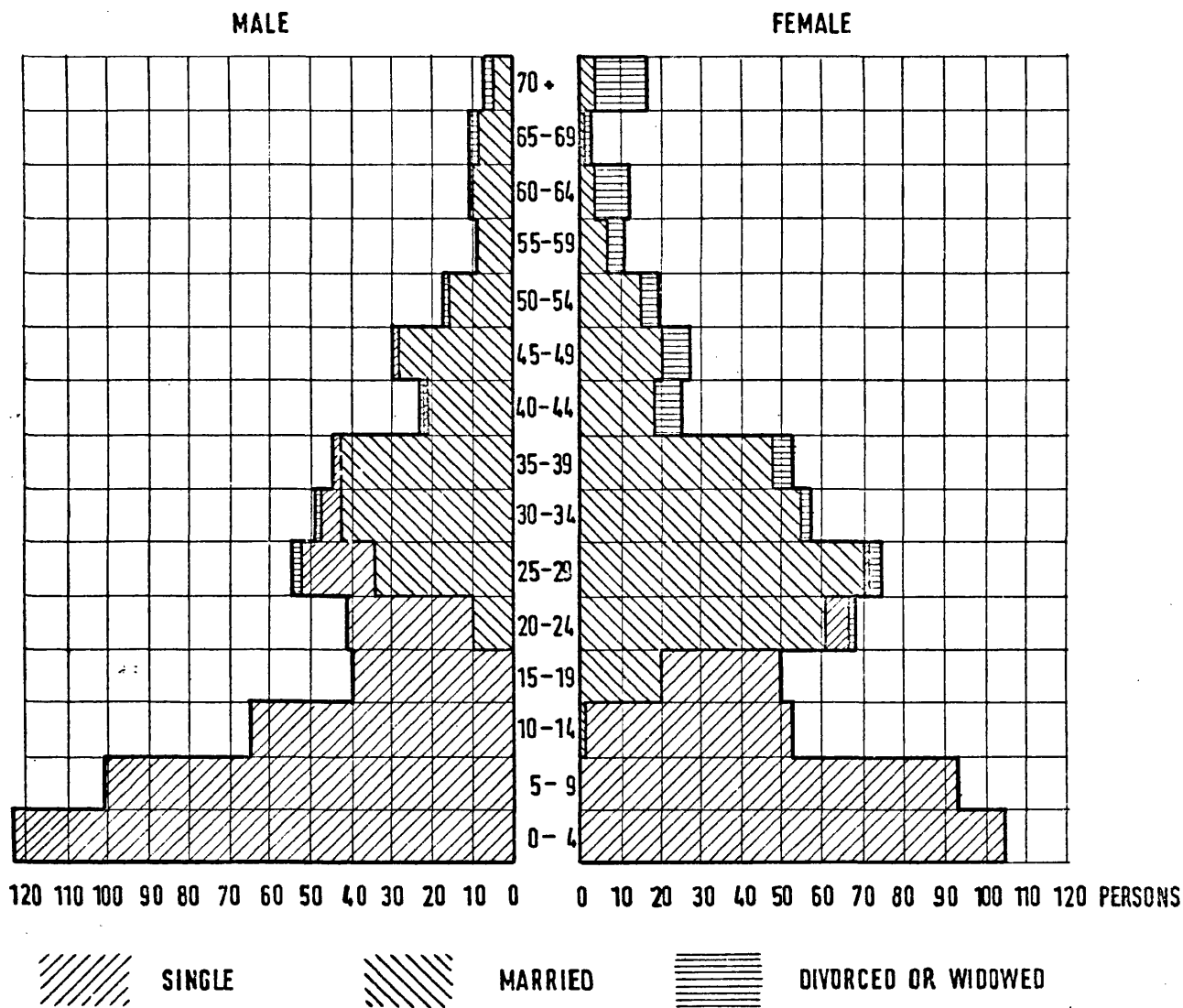


TABLE 11.6 Survey Sample Population by Sex, Age and Marital Status

Age	Male					Female					Total
	Sing	Mar	Div	Wid	Total	Sing	Mar	Div	Wid	Total	
0- 4	123				123	105				105	228
5- 9	91				91	93				93	184
10-14	65				65	52	1			53	118
15-19	40				40	30	20			50	90
20-24	32	10			42	6	61	1		68	110
25-29	19	34	2		55	1	70	3		74	129
30-34	5	43	1		49		55	1	1	57	106
35-39	2	43			45		48	1	4	53	98
40-44	1	21	1		23		18	1	6	25	48
45-49	1	29			30		20		7	27	57
50-54		16	1		17		15		4	19	36
55-59		9			9		7	1	3	11	20
60-64		10		1	11		4		8	12	23
65-69		9		2	11		1		2	3	14
70+		5		2	7		3		14	17	24
Total	379	229	5	5	618	287	323	8	49	667	1,285

their next of kin, while the younger widows will leave the compound on re-marriage. (For more detailed information see Table A.11.5 on page 422).

### Family Grouping

The following discussion on family groupings is partly based on household data; but as we cannot fully understand the principles that govern the constitution and changes of family grouping by reference to household data alone, some additional kinship data having a common reference point are necessary. For this purpose, compound headship provides the natural focus, since by systematically classifying the sample population in terms of their individual relationship to the compound head, we are able to expose the internal fabric of kinship structure. (See Tables A.11.4 and A.11.5 on pages 421-422). As already shown elsewhere, kinship groups are liable to constant changes due to marriage, migration and death of their male members. How such changes affect co-residential kinship groups and so modify the lay-out and size of compounds in Ibadan will be the subject of the following analysis.

We may begin by recalling some earlier findings on the development of co-residential kinship groups at Zaria. There, most co-residential kinship groups are based on agnatic descent. We also found that the individual family was the first and simplest stage in a development cycle that gave rise to composite co-residential kinship groups. In the six such stages we identified, the last was that of a compound which housed paternal cousins and their descendants.

The majority of compounds surveyed in Ibadan also contained family groups based on agnatic kinship. We may therefore apply a similar mode of analysis to the kinship data collected there. However, one important difference must be briefly discussed first. Unlike Zaria, at Ibadan our sample included a total of 124 households containing 378 unrelated persons who lived as tenants in about half of the compounds surveyed.

These tenant households, which neither contribute to nor influence the development of complex co-residential kinship groups are omitted from the next table and analysed separately later.

The top part of Table 11.2 on page 191 gives the age distribution of the 63 compound heads, according to the composition of the co-residential kinship groups. These age distributions, when compared with the simplified kinship diagrams in the lower part of the table, clearly show that compound heads in stages 1, 3 and 6, which result either from migration or the death of a former compound head, are on average younger than their counterparts in stage 2, 4 and 5. A similar observation has already been made for the sample studied at Zaria. Column 6 lists 9 compounds the population of which increased by the immigration of 13 related families rather than by natural growth.

The centre of the table deserves special attention. It can be seen, that the average number of households per compound increases from one household with an average of 6.8 persons in stage one to 6 households having an average total of 27.7 persons in stage six. The average number of persons per household on the other hand decreases from 6.8 persons in stage one to 4.6 persons in stage six. This decrease in the number of persons per household is partly due to the emigration of larger dependent family units in search for more spacious accommodation, while other dependent household heads, responsible for large units, may become compound heads. It is also of interest to note that none of the 63 compounds surveyed contained co-residential kinship groups which developed beyond stage six, that is, to include paternal parallel cousins and their unmarried children. It is obvious that at this stage lack of space, the limited lifespan of these houses built of mud, tensions between group members, the differential economic success of junior household heads, and the death of the compound head combine to split the lineage segment into smaller units. (See Table A.11.6 on page 423).

TABLE 11.2 Age of Compound Heads by Stages of Kinship Development

Column	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Stage	1	2	3	4 + 5	6	Joint H.H.	Total
Age of C.H.							
25-29	2		1		1		2
30-34	1		1		1	2	6
35-39	7		4		1	3	8
40-44			1		2		2
45-49			2		1	1	12
50-54			3	2		1	6
55-59			2	3	1	1	8
60-64							5
65-69		2	2	2		1	8
70+	2	3		1			6
No. of Comp.H.	19	5	16	8	6	9	63
No. of H.H.	19	12	44	38	36	22	171
No. of persons	130	66	228	199	166	118	907
Av. Households per Compound	1.0	2.4	2.7	4.7	6.0	2.4	2.7
Av. Persons per Compound	6.8	13.2	14.3	24.9	27.7	13.1	14.4
Av. Persons per Household	6.8	5.5	5.2	5.2	4.6	5.4	5.3
Kinship Diagrams							

So far we have discussed those co-residential kinship groups which contained the compound head and other related dependent or semi-dependent households, but we must now consider the 124 tenant households who live in rented accommodation in 32 out of 63 compounds surveyed. Only six of these tenant household heads were born in Ibadan,\* while the rest are of a group of first-generation immigrants. In Table 11.3 on page 193 these 124 tenant households have been divided into four main categories based on kinship organization to reveal the structure of this group. The first category (column 1-3) has heads who are either single, divorced or widowed, while the second category contains 18 female heads whose husbands have been absent for more than one month preceding the time of the interview (column 4). However, in 10 cases there was considerable doubt if the women in question were still married. The third category consisted of couples without children including those whose children were away (column 5), while the fourth category contained individual families (column 6). Among the couples without resident children (column 5) 12 women were temporarily absent. Three women were away on childbirth, while the rest were living with their parents until their husbands could secure suitable jobs. Thus 19 or 15.3 per cent of all tenant households consisted of single persons, 35 or 28.2 per cent contained widowed, divorced and married persons who lived alone (excluding those households with wives away on childbirth), and 70 or 56.5 per cent contained couples without resident children and individual families.

Another comment on this table is appropriate. In the 124 tenant households with 378 members, 25 or 6.6 per cent were dependent single relatives belonging either to the husband's or wives' kin group. For comparison, the households of compound heads contained 124 such persons or 27.3 per cent of their total population.

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\* Four household heads were born in Ibadan but brought up by their mothers on the family farm; while two household heads had quit their fathers' compounds after a family dispute.





Finally, comparison of the age distributions of tenant household heads and compound heads provides some indication of the age distribution of first generation immigrants within the sample population.

TABLE 11.4      Age Distribution of Tenant Household Heads and Compound Heads in Percentages

Age Group	15-24	25-39	40-54	55-69	70+	Total	No. of Hh. H.
Tenant Household Heads	10.5	62.1	22.6	4.0	0.8	100.0	124
Compound Heads	-	25.4	31.8	33.3	9.5	100.0	63

The table shows that nearly three quarters of the tenant household heads are under the age of 40 as against only one-quarter of the compound heads.

In conclusion, the main differences between the households of compound heads and their tenants may be outlined briefly. The most obvious differences are the higher average population, 7.2 in the households of compound heads compared with 3.0 for their tenants. The number of dependents from their wider kinship groups in compound head households was 124 persons\* or 27.3 per cent of their number, and greatly exceeds that in tenant households with 25 persons or 6.6 per cent. Budgets taken from both types of households indicate that one factor associated with the smaller number of dependent persons in tenant households may be economic.

The different structure of the two types of households is perhaps even more important. A compound head's household is usually part of a co-residential kinship group which may include his married son or sons and their dependents, and his collateral agnates and their issue. This kinship group for which the compound head is partly responsible provides a certain amount of social stability as well as economic security for all its members. Tenant households on the other hand seem to be less stable groups, and 35 or 28.2 per cent of their heads are single and either divorced, widowed

\* This does not include 7 married daughters and one married son of compound heads who live in their fathers' compounds but do not form separate households.

or separated. As recent immigrants into the city, most tenants had suffered economic hardship until they established themselves.

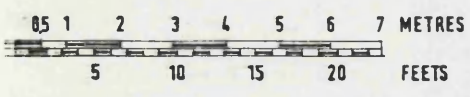
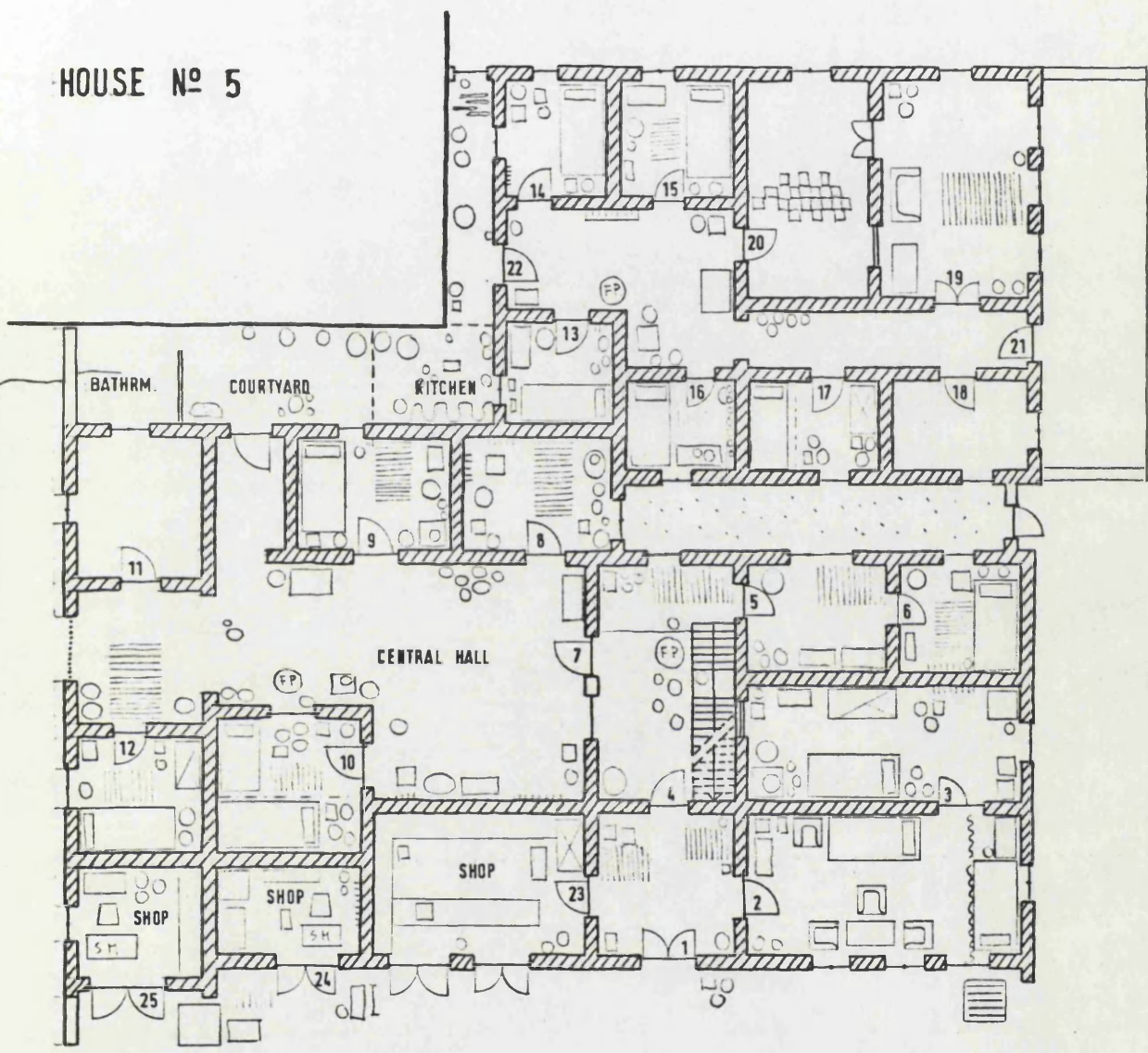
This brief comparison clearly shows the considerable variety in the structure and size of these three household types. It has also indicated the danger of using data on households indiscriminately without taking into account their respective backgrounds and positions within co-residential groups.

### Compound and Kinship Organization

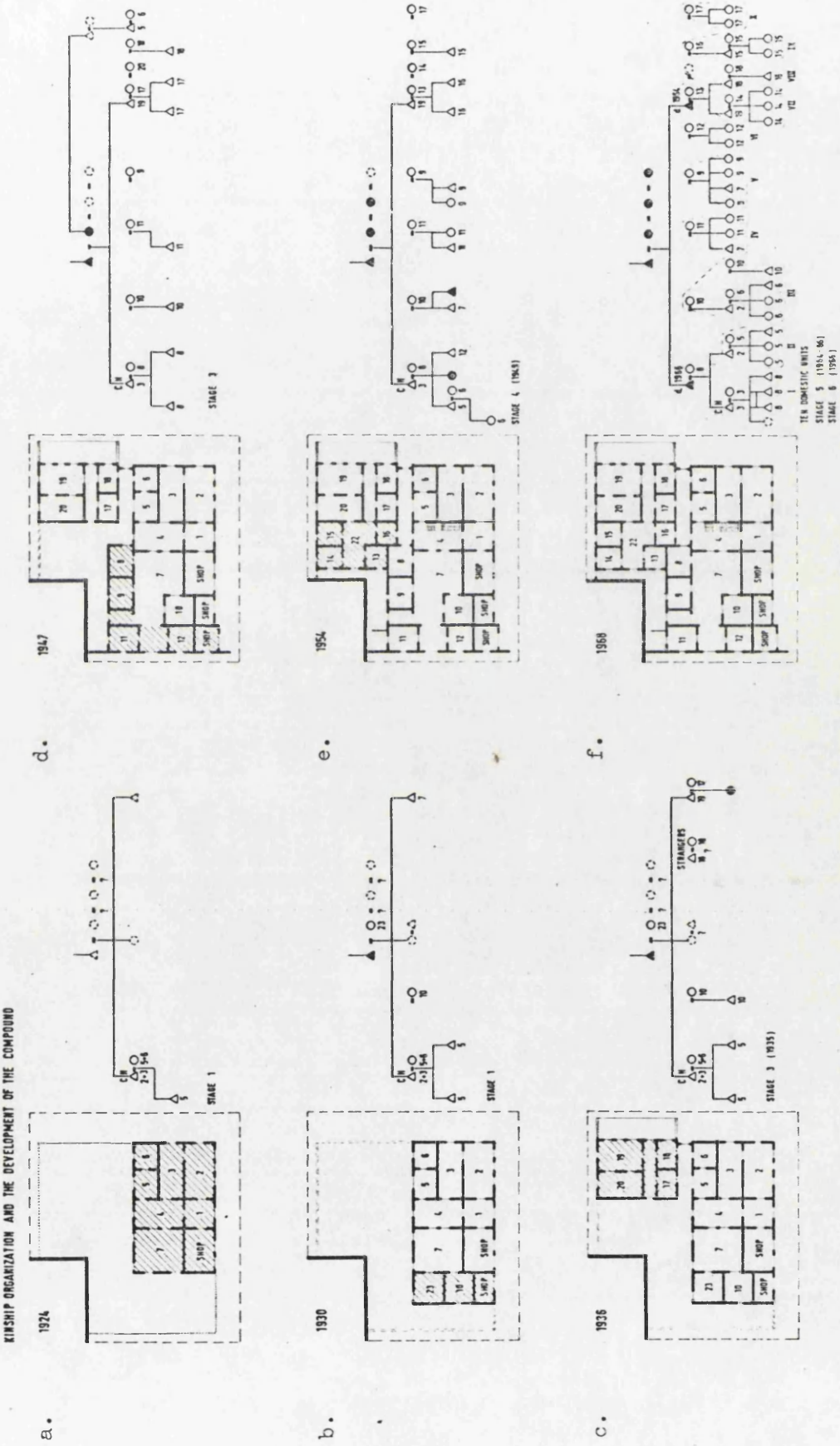
In the following pages I will relate some of the facts which emerged from the discussion on household and kinship organization to a number of compounds surveyed in Ibadan. Two case studies have been chosen from the sample to illustrate various stages in the development of co-residential agnatic kinship groups and the repercussions of these developments on the compounds.

The first example represents a compound situated on the north-eastern outskirts of the city. The land on which the house stands was given to the present compound head's late father by his mother's family shortly after the First World War. The core of the house was built between 1920 and 1922. In 1923 or 1924 the compound head's first child was born. The family who then occupied the house illustrated stage one in the kinship diagram discussed earlier. (See page 72, and Plan 11.7a on page 197). In 1930, the compound head's mother and younger full brother came to live in the house, and anticipating his marriage to a second wife, the compound head built two additional rooms plus a small shop to accommodate the newcomers. (Plan 11.7b). Following the marriage of the compound head's full brother in 1935, a new house with 4 rooms was added. The enlarged compound then contained a "stage-three-type" kinship group of two full brothers and their families. (Plan 11.7c). The next two additions to the compound were

HOUSE No 5



PLAN 11.7 Development House 5



constructed between 1947 and 1954 to house the rapidly growing group. (Plan 11.7d & e). In 1949 the eldest son of the compound head married his first wife, thus moving the co-residential kinship group into stage four. The premature death of the compound head's younger brother in 1964 gave rise to a "stage-five-type" kinship group without affecting the headship. (Plan 11.7f). With the death of the compound head two years later his oldest son assumed responsibility for his late father's and father's brothers' wives and their unmarried children. As a result of this latest death, the co-residential kinship group moved to stage six, which consists of several paternal parallel cousins and their unmarried children. At the time of my visit in 1968, the inhabitants of the compound discussed among themselves the possibility of constructing an upper floor. They told me that unless something was done some family members would be forced to look for alternative accommodation elsewhere, a step of which the compound head did not approve.

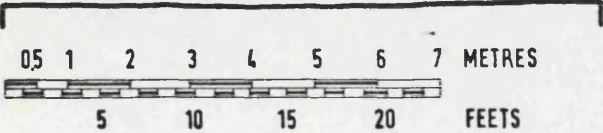
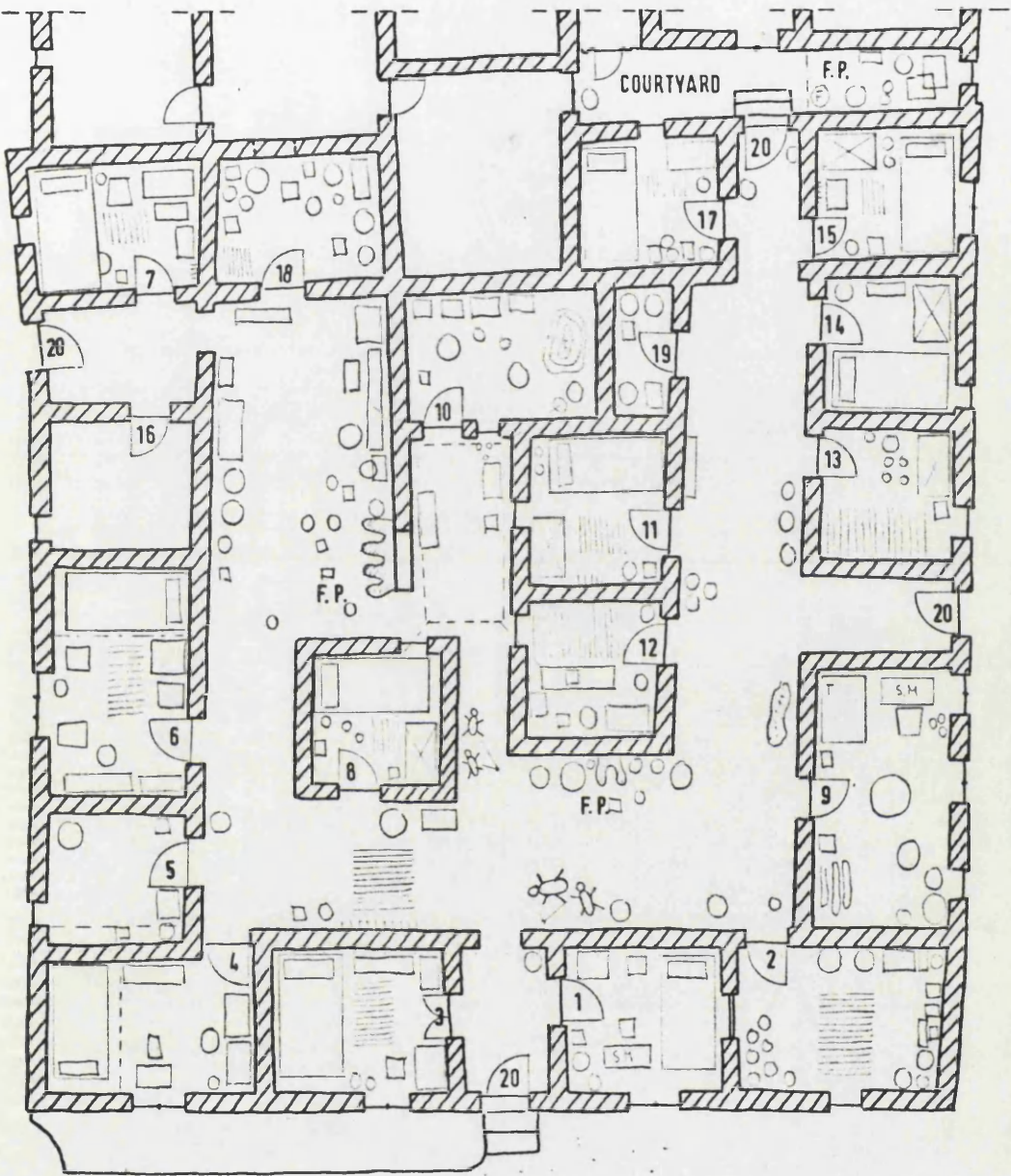
The second example shows a compound occupied by a co-residential kinship group which changed over a ten-year period (1958-68) from stage three, when it contained full or half brothers' families with unmarried children, into stage four containing full or half brothers' families with married children and their descendants. As the result of these changes including the death of the compound head in 1961, several rooms changed hands, following certain principles generally observed by the Yoruba.

According to its compound head, the house was built on family land in the first decade of this century. A family dispute in the late 1940's led to the division of the compound into two separate units, marked by closing its only internal passage. (See Plan 11.8 on page 199). In 1958 the rooms were distributed among the three half-brothers and their families who lived in the house as follows: the compound head and his family occupied the front rooms numbered 1-4, while each of his two half brothers and their



PLAN 11.8    House 53

HOUSE Nº 53



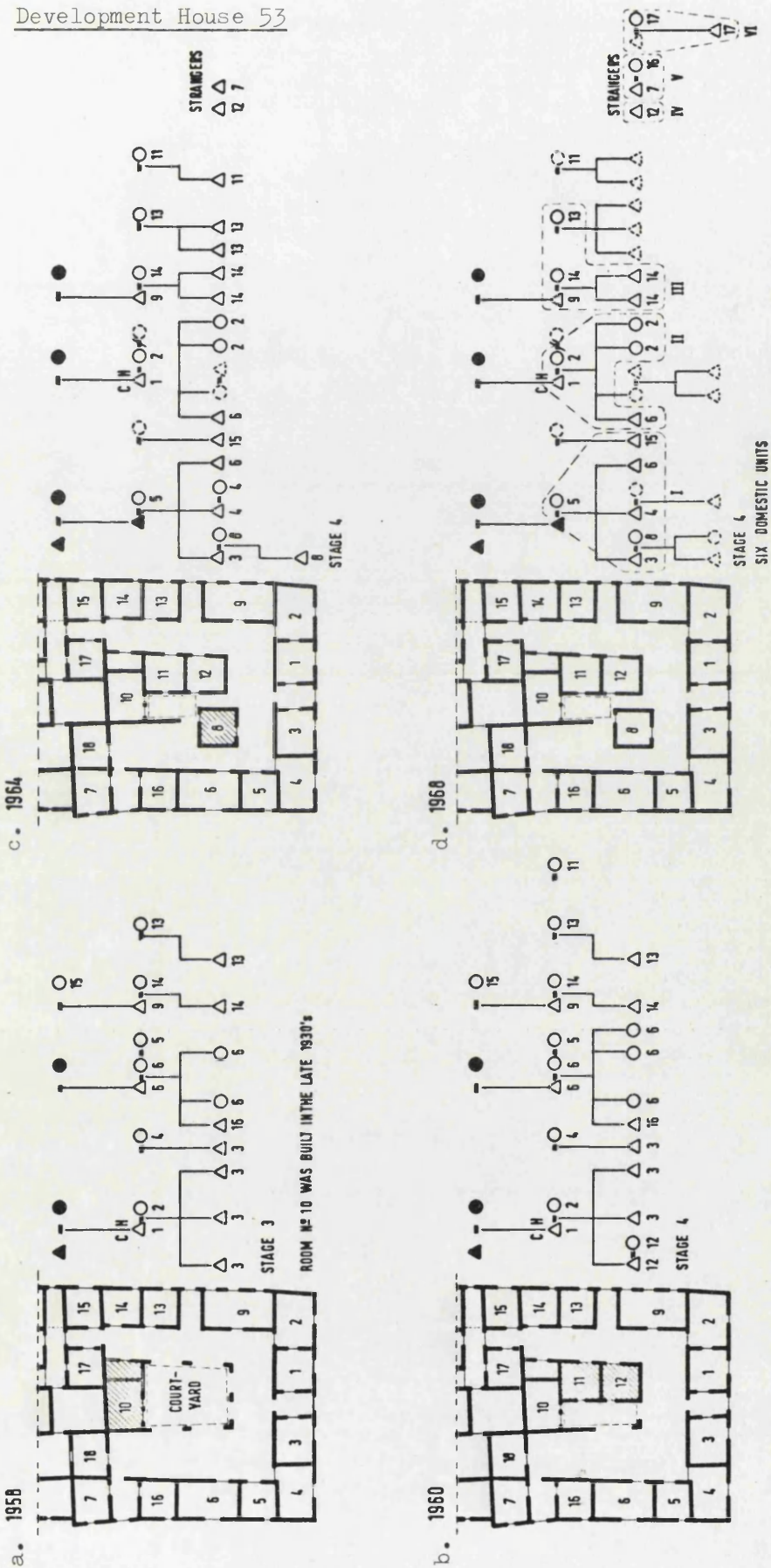
families occupied the rooms to the left and right of the courtyard respectively. (See Plan 11.9 on page 201). In the late 1950's, two marriages, the youngest brothers' third and the compound head's oldest son's first, sparked off the construction of two new rooms which were completed in 1960. (See Plan 11.9b). Following the death of the compound head in 1961, and the succession of the senior surviving half-brother to the headship, several rooms changed hands. The new compound head moved into rooms 1 and 2, while the late compound head's oldest son occupied room no. 3. This move was made in recognition of the young man's increasing wealth as a successful craftsman and a future contender for the headship. In 1964 he built a room for his wife. (See Plan 11.9c). The distribution of rooms in 1968 still reflected the pattern of occupancy laid down in 1960 with the oldest son of the new compound head remaining in the room formerly occupied by his father. (See Plan 11.9d).

It was observed throughout my survey in Ibadan that at least one front room in each compound was always occupied by the compound head, and that any other room facing the main street or footpath was given to some important member of the house.

It is probably true to say that in the past a sizeable proportion of Ibadan's population lived in large compounds. These compounds were divided into segments known among the Oyo-Yoruba as igun or origin, i.e., people who live in the same courtyard. My investigation has shown that today kinship groups of this type live in smaller self-contained houses which are often built on corporately owned family land. Apart from the large number of immigrant households and some well-educated household heads with above average income, there is little evidence to support the view that the Yoruba co-residential kinship group is breaking up into still smaller units. On the contrary it seems that the social and economic strains associated with rapid urban growth of towns such as Ibadan may serve to bind kinship groups even closer together.

PLAN 11.9 Development House 53

KINSHIP ORGANIZATION AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPOUND





### DISTRIBUTION OF FLOOR AREA

The distribution of the floor area among the population of compounds may be studied in two ways. First, we can examine the average floor area per household and person classified by their relationship to the compound head; and second, we may study the average floor area per household and person according to the number of persons per household. The first approach may tell us something about preferential treatments of certain household heads regarding the allocation of rooms, while the second will indicate the steps taken by compound heads to build new, or to adapt available space for the growing number of people in compounds.

The survey in Ibadan included 295 households with 1,285 persons in 63 compounds. Table 11.5 on page 203 compares the total average floor area (column 2) and the average sleeping area (column 3) available to each household and members classifying these households by the relationship of their head to the compound head. As can be seen in the table, the substantial difference between the total average floor area occupied by the compound head's own household (91.8 sq.m.) on the one hand, and the total average floor area of other related dependent or semi-dependent households (17.8 sq.m.) and tenant households (14.6 sq.m.) on the other, is noteworthy.

These differences are partly due to the larger average size of the compound head's household, 7.2 persons, as against 4.2 and 3.0 persons for all other dependent and tenant households respectively. Furthermore, the area occupied by the compound head's own household includes all rooms such as central halls, entrance lobbies, common kitchens and stores for which he is directly responsible, although these rooms are normally available for general use by all other resident households. Therefore, the average floor area given below illustrates the differential distribution

TABLE 11.5 Average Floor Area per Household and Person in sq.m.

Column	1		2		3	
	No. of Househ.	No. of Persons	Total av. area p.Hh.	Av.sleep.area p.Hh.	p.Pers.	
Compound Head's Househ.	63	454	91.8	33.8	4.7	
CH's F+H Brs' Househ.	42	195	19.0	4.1	3.2	
CH's Sons' Househ.	11	54	24.9	5.1	2.6	
CH's F+H Brs' Sons' Hh.	14	48	18.0	4.9	3.4	
CH's F's Brs' Sons' Hh.	17	69	16.3	4.0	3.3	
Other Related Househ.	24	87	14.0	3.9	2.4	
Sub-Total Dep. Househ.	108	453	17.8	4.2	3.0	
Tenant Households	124	378	14.6	4.8	3.6	
Total Househ. and Pers.	295	1,285				
Av. all Househ.+ Pers.			32.3	7.4	3.8	

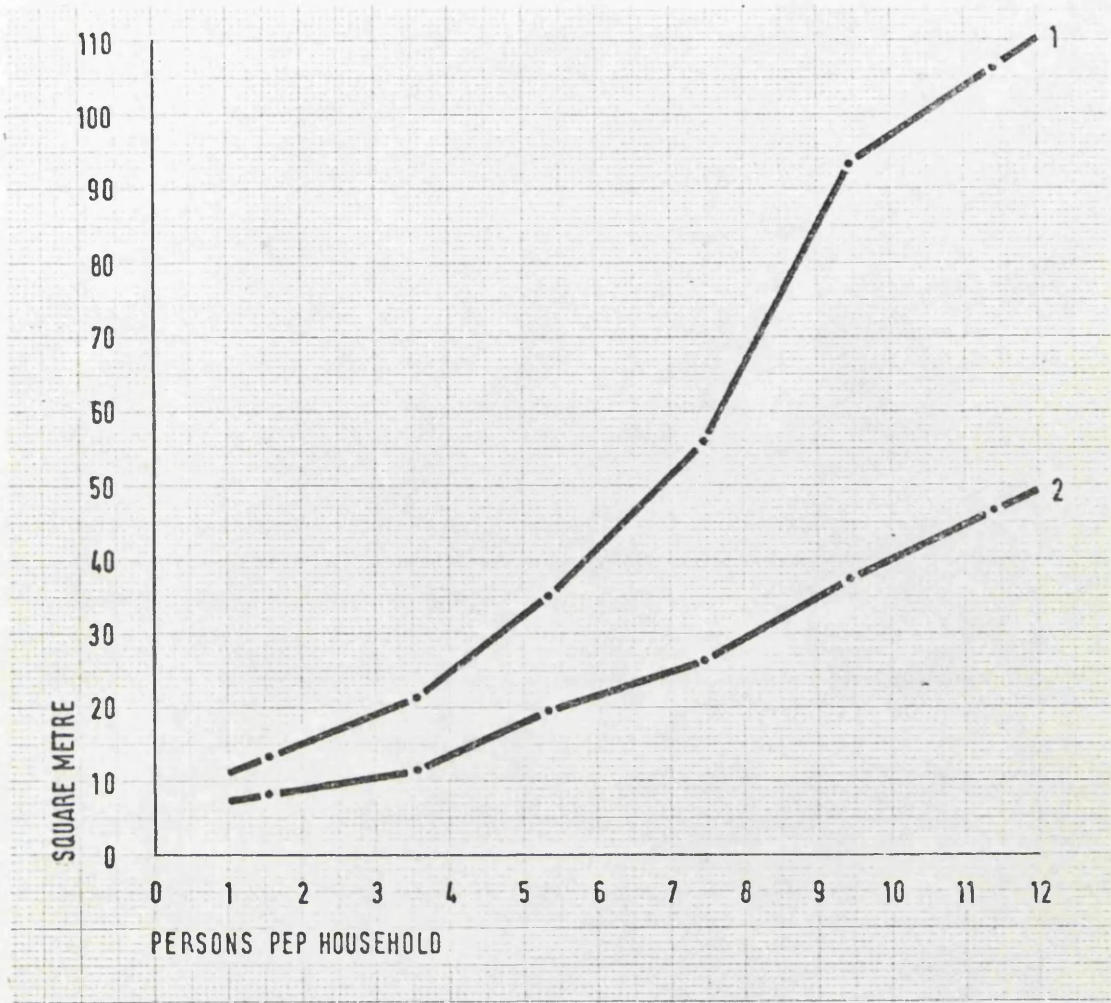
of responsibilities among household heads within the compound rather more precisely than the allocation of living space between the households themselves.

The average sleeping area per person fluctuates between 4.7 sq.m. for members of the compound head's household and 2.4 sq.m. for other related households, the total average being 3.8 sq.m. or 41.0 sq.ft. However, the average sleeping area per person in the compound heads' households is slightly inflated by the fact that some compound heads have their own sleeping rooms, a luxury not enjoyed by most other household heads.

The two following graphs derive from Table A.11.8 on page 425. Graph 11.1 on page 205 shows the average floor area (line 1) and the average sleeping area (line 2) per household of differing sizes. As may be seen, the average floor area per household increases from 13.6 sq.m. in households with 1 to 2 persons to 106.4 sq.m. in households having 11 to 12 persons. At the same time the average sleeping area per household also increases from 8.4 sq.m. for households with 1 to 2 persons to 46.8 sq.m. for 11 to 12 person households.

Graph 11.2 on page 205 shows the average floor area per person (line 1) and the average sleeping area per person (line 2) in households of differing size. As can be seen the average floor area per person decreases from 8.8 sq.m. for households with 1 to 2 persons to 6.1 sq.m. for households with 3 to 4 persons but increases steadily to 9.9 sq.m. for households having 9 to 10 persons. The same trend can be observed for the average sleeping area per person which decreases from 5.4 sq.m. per person in households with 3 to 4 persons but remains fairly stable between 3.7 sq.m. and 4.1 sq.m. per person for all larger households. The total average floor area of 7.4 sq.m. (80.0 sq.ft.) and the average sleeping

GRAPH 11.1     Average Floor and Sleeping Area per Household in sq.m.



Line 1   Average Floor Area.     Line 2   Average Sleeping Area.

GRAPH 11.2     Average Floor and Sleeping Area per Person in sq.m.



Line 1   Average Floor Area.     Line 2   Average Sleeping Area  
See Table A.11.8 on page

area of 3.8 sq.m. (41.0 sq.ft.) available per person in households surveyed in Ibadan, indicates no serious problem of overcrowding.<sup>6/</sup> It is obvious that most compound heads were able to build new rooms or make old rooms available for the growing kinship groups, while some of the larger dependent households left their father's or brothers' houses and established their own independent households elsewhere.

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<sup>6/</sup> LUBEGA, A. Financing and Production of Private Houses in Urban Districts of Kampala Unpublished Ph.D. Thesis, London 1970 pp. 152-56. The extent of overcrowding is usually measured by the ratio of persons per habitable room. It has been fairly widely accepted that an occupancy rate of more than two persons per habitable room can be regarded as overcrowded. In the 63 compounds the occupancy rate of the 814 habitable rooms was 1.6 person per room. See also Table A.11.7 on page .

Occupational patterns and income distribution for Nigeria has already been dealt with in Chapter 5. In this chapter I shall first discuss the information available on occupational patterns and income distribution in Ibadan, before proceeding to the analysis of the data obtained from my survey of 63 compounds containing 295 households in that city.

#### OCCUPATIONAL PATTERN AND INCOME DISTRIBUTION IN IBADAN

So far few scholars have worked on the present-day occupational pattern in Nigeria. One of the first systematic investigations into the craft activities of Ibadan's population was carried out by K.M. Buchanan in 1949-50. According to Buchanan there were then 2,700 small-scale industrial enterprises in the city. The most important of these industries was tailoring with 34.0 per cent of the total, followed by carpentry with 17.7 per cent, dyeing with 13.5 per cent and mechanical work, i.e. cycle repairing and motor mechanics, with 12.8 per cent.<sup>1/</sup> The number of persons employed by these enterprises are not given. Further investigations into craft activities in Ibadan city were conducted by A. Callaway in 1961 and 1963 <sup>2/</sup> and M. Koll in 1967.<sup>3/</sup>

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<sup>1/</sup> BUCHANAN, K.M. and PUGH, J.C. Land and People in Nigeria sixth edition London 1966, p. 200

<sup>2/</sup> CALLAWAY, A. "From Traditional Crafts to Modern Industry" in The City of Ibadan ed. by Lloyd, P.C. et al. Cambridge 1967, pp. 153-71. Callaway carried out a complete survey of all crafts and small industries with permanent premises in Ibadan in 1963. In all 5,135 establishments were counted and divided into 15 categories, the most important being tailors with 26.3 per cent, carpenters 12.5 per cent, mechanics 10.1 per cent and photographers with 7.7 per cent. The total number of persons employed by these establishments were 14,500 persons or 2.9 per unit including apprentices, journeymen and proprietors.

<sup>3/</sup> KOLL, M. Crafts and Cooperation in Western Nigeria Freiburg i.B. 1969, pp. 20 + 124. Koll took an area sample which covered approximately 10 per cent of all small industrial establishments in the city. After calculating the standard error, the probable min. number of units was estimated to be 12,200 the probable max. 16,400. The total number of persons employed in the craft sector was estimated to be approximately 42,000 or 5 per cent of the total population in the city. The most important units were tailors with 29.2 per cent, carpenters 12.6 per cent and mechanics with 8.0 per cent.

Despite its many shortcomings, the 1952 census provided the first comprehensive set of detailed data on the occupational structure of Ibadan's population.<sup>4/</sup> The occupational distribution of the city's male population was then as follows: agriculture, 21.6 per cent; crafts, 13.4 per cent; trade, 12.0 per cent; administrative and professional works 5.3 per cent; miscellaneous occupations, 9.6 per cent; and unspecified 38.1 per cent. An analysis of the occupational pattern in 39 city wards based on the 1952 census returns was carried out by A.L. Mabogunje.<sup>5/</sup> Mabogunje shows that agriculture is especially important in the eastern parts of the city, while craft activities were more frequently found in immigrant areas to the west and north of the old city, with marked concentrations around Bere Square (N.1) and Ogunpa (S.W.6). (See Map A.8.2 on page 411 and Plan 10.1 on page 167). On the other hand, trade was more evenly distributed throughout the city with concentrations between the Gebaji business district, the Oje Iba market and Mokola.<sup>6/</sup>

The 1963 census return on occupational groups in Ibadan Province makes a distinction between urban and rural areas. These figures are less detailed, and as far as the city is concerned, they are probably less accurate than those for 1952 and so do not permit a direct comparison with the earlier census.<sup>7/</sup>

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<sup>4/</sup> DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census of the Western Region of Nigeria 1952 Lagos 1956, pp. 16-17.

<sup>5/</sup> MABOGUNJE, A.L. Urbanization in Nigeria London 1968, pp. 221-3

<sup>6/</sup> Ibid. p. 222

<sup>7/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Population Census Western Region of Nigeria 1963 Lagos 1968, Vol.2 p. 160 (mimeo). The occupational structure of the male population in the urban areas of Ibadan Province was as follows: Agriculture 31.5 per cent, crafts 27.9 per cent, trade 14.7 per cent, administrative and professionals 9.9 per cent, other occupation 11.4 per cent and unemployed 4.6 per cent.

### Income Distribution in Ibadan

Before discussing the findings of my survey, the income distribution of Ibadan's working population should be briefly considered. Unfortunately, no reliable data are as yet available. However, the "Statistical Abstract of 1971" published by the Western State of Nigeria attempts some rough estimates of income for self-employed and wage-earning household heads, on the basis of taxation. These data are most likely grossly inaccurate and of little scientific value. Nevertheless, it may be worthwhile to give at least the income distribution of the 73,809 wage-earners in Ibadan Division who were included in the P.A.Y.E. scheme in 1970. According to the Statistical Abstract the low income group with earnings of up to ₦N. 200 per annum accounted for 68.0 per cent of the total, the middle income group with earnings of ₦N. 200-600 per annum accounted for 24.4 per cent, and the group with incomes above ₦N. 600 per annum for 7.8 per cent.<sup>8/</sup>

### SAMPLE SURVEY

#### Occupational Pattern Survey Sample

The main occupations of the 295 household heads in my sample are given in the following table.

**TABLE 12.1** Occupational Pattern of 295 Household Heads in Ibadan

Column	1		2		3		4	
	Compound Head		Dep. Househ. H.		Tenant Househ. H.		Total Househ. H.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Services	17	27.0	37	34.3	50	40.4	104	35.3
Crafts	20	31.7	33	30.6	36	29.0	89	30.2
Trade	12	19.1	33	30.6	33	26.6	78	26.4
Agriculture	9	14.3	4	3.7	2	1.6	15	5.1
Miscellaneous	5	7.9	1	0.8	3	2.4	9	3.0
Total	63	100.0	108	100.0	124	100.0	295	100.0

<sup>8/</sup> MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING & RECONSTRUCTION WESTERN STATE OF NIGERIA  
Statistical Abstract No. 1-2 Vol. XII 1970 Ibadan 1971, pp. 37 and 60



From this table it can be seen that services, which include inter alia clerks, teachers and police officers, are the most important occupational group among these household heads. Then follow the traditional and modern crafts, trade and agriculture. This order applies for the 108 dependent as well as the 124 tenant household heads. However, the occupations of the 63 compound heads differ slightly from these patterns. Here, crafts is the most important occupation followed by services, trade and agriculture.

The involvement in agriculture of the 63 compound heads must be further discussed. Apart from the 9 full-time farmers already listed in Table A.12.1 column 1 on page 426, another 8 compound heads gave farming as their second occupation. A further 21 compound heads had some share in the proceeds from the family farm, but did not farm themselves. Among the 18 compound heads born outside Ibadan Province, 10 maintained active interests in the family farm at their home towns. Thus 48 compound heads or 76.2 per cent were either actively working on or had some vital interest in farm land, while the rest did not.

The 89 household heads employed in traditional or modern crafts deserve some notice. Table A.12.1 on page 426 shows that among the most frequent occupations in this category are 19 tailors, 12 mechanics and 11 carpenters. This distribution corresponds with those reported by the earlier surveys of crafts in Ibadan which featured these three occupations at the top of their lists. Table A.12.1 also shows that only 39 household heads or 13.2 per cent of the total had more than one occupation, which no doubt reflects the increasing specialization of work in Ibadan.

The next table shows how household heads in the sample are employed.

TABLE 12.2    How Household Heads are Employed

Column	1		2		3		4	
	Compound Head		Dep. Househ. H.		Tenant Househ. H.		Total Househ. H.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Self-employed	37	58.7	58	53.7	56	45.2	151	51.2
Empl. Priv. Sector	10	15.9	35	32.5	38	30.6	83	28.1
Empl. Public Sector	11	17.5	13	12.0	26	21.0	50	17.0
Helps Family Member	-	-	1	0.9	-	-	1	0.3
Retired	5	7.9	-	-	-	-	5	1.7
Miscellaneous	-	-	1	0.9	4	3.2	5	1.7
Total	63	100.0	108	100.0	124	100.0	295	100.0

Over 50 per cent of all compound heads and dependent household heads are self-employed, while 45 per cent of the tenant household heads had their own businesses. This reflects the substantial number of tenant household heads who were employed in Government and private firms.

The unique role played by Yoruba women in retail trade throughout the country is widely recognized, and the findings of my survey support this observation. In fact, 78.0 per cent of the 381 married, divorced or widowed women in my sample, including one single female household head, are so employed. The kind of goods these women trade varies widely, and includes provisions, cigarettes and kola-nuts, sold by 233 women or 61.2 per cent of the total; textiles traded by 36 women or 9.4 per cent; fire wood, crockery, mats, native medicine, shoes and livestock was handled by 28 women or 7.4 per cent. Such crafts as the design and dyeing of cloth, weaving and embroidery were practised by 18 women or 4.7 per cent of the sample. Another 14 women or 3.7 per cent who engaged in services,

included inter alia 2 primary school teachers, 3 hairplaiters and 4 prostitutes. Of the remaining 52 women, 37 or 9.7 per cent were housewives with no gainful occupation,\* 13 or 3.4 per cent had retired and were supported by their next of kin, and for 2 women or 0.5 per cent I lack information.

Except for 3 female compound heads and 25 female tenant household heads no systematic attempt was made to collect data on the monthly cash income of married women. However, the 18 completed budgets of female household heads show cash incomes that range from about 10 shillings per week to as much as £N. 50 per month for one well-to-do cloth trader who had recently made the pilgrimage to Mecca. It must be emphasized here that profit made from their trade and crafts work belongs to the women who earned it, and also that they are generally not obliged to contribute to the housekeeping costs. However, during my interviews it became quite obvious that many a household head would find himself in financial difficulties without the help of his wife or wives. Most women will also try to set aside at least some money for their families and/or daughter's dowery; but except for wealthy female traders, this amount is probably small.<sup>9/</sup>

#### Income Distribution Sample Survey

The aim of my budgetary inquiries was to establish the annual cash incomes of the compound heads and that of other dependent and tenant household heads who lived in the compound surveyed. In spite of painstaking inquiries, the data on household cash income and expenditure

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\* Most of these women had only recently been married and most will start trading once they have settled down and their husbands have given them the capital they need to buy their initial stock.

<sup>9/</sup> MARRIS, P. Family and Social Change in an African City A Study of Rehousing in Lagos London 1961, pp. 78-81

presented below must be treated with caution. The reasons for this caution may be mentioned briefly. During my investigation at Ibadan from January to May 1968, the civil war in Eastern Nigeria, then approaching its climax, had created a general slump in the country's economy. An almost stagnant industry and increasing unemployment, some of which was absorbed by the army, forced many local families to live, at least temporarily, on reduced incomes, which had in some cases to be subsidized by the household head's wife or wives or from savings. Other household heads relied on financial help from more fortunate family members. The various import restrictions imposed by the Military Government had also stimulated sharp increases in the prices for foreign goods and substantial profit margins for some traders, who were understandably unwilling to disclose their incomes.

Under these circumstances it may be seen why my questions regarding income and to a lesser extent expenditure were met with suspicion, and in spite of repeated personal and official assurance as well as exhaustive explanation about the nature and aims of my survey 68 household heads or 23.1 per cent of the total sample remained evasive or gave grossly misleading answers that their budgets had to be omitted from the final analysis. (See Table A.12.2 on page 427). Hence of the total of 295 households covered by the survey only 227 are included in the following analysis. Of these, 122 households or 53.8 per cent were in the low income group (up to £N. 180 per annum), 93 or 40.9 per cent in the middle income group (£N. 180 to £N. 600 per annum), and only 12 or 5.3 per cent in the high income group (above £N. 600 per annum). (See Table A.12.3 on page 427). Table A.12.4 on page 427 gives the income distribution for compound heads, dependent or semi-dependent and tenant household heads separately. It shows that compound heads have the highest average income, with 32.8 per

cent of them in the low income group, 50.0 per cent in the middle and 17.2 per cent in the high income group. This is followed by tenant household heads with 58.7 per cent in the lowest bracket, 39.1 per cent in the middle, and only 2.2 per cent in the high income group. Dependent or semi-dependent household heads have still lower average incomes, but similar distributions, though none of these household heads are in the high income group.

The combined distribution of incomes by household size is given in Table A.12.5 on page 427 and shows the predominance of small size households (1-4 persons) in the low income group. As the number of persons per household increase income tends to increase as well. This is illustrated by the diagonal pattern of concentration up to households with 9-10 persons and income of 1,000 to 1,999 shillings per month. From there onwards the small number of households involved scatter so widely that the distribution has little statistical value.

The per caput income of households with 1 to 2 persons was found to be 130 shillings per month. This sum decreases to 81, 76, and 55 shillings per month for households with 3-4, 5-6, and 7-8 persons respectively. However, the per caput incomes of households with more than 9 persons increased to 75 shillings per month. This upward movement reflects the high proportion of large households of compound heads with general higher income.

On Graph A.12.1 on page 428 the cumulative income distribution of the 227 households are plotted on logarithmic probability paper in order to show the relationship between the median income and the type of households. The nearly straight line of the cumulative income distribution curve for all 227 households indicates a lognormal distribution. All three types of households distinguished by separate curves show an approximately equal

percentage change, which in the case of the dependent and tenant households are based on lower incomes. As a result, the curves of these two latter types of households shift leftwards but do not substantially alter their shape. The median incomes as shown on the graph are 460 shillings per month for the households of the compound heads, 265 shillings per month for tenant household heads, and 235 shillings per month for dependent or semi-dependent household heads. However, part of the higher incomes of the compound heads derives from rent and other financial benefits which are associated with the headship; and some of this is spent on improvements and repair of the family compound, and on financial help given to other family members in need, neither of which are generally expected from other compound members.

On page 428 a Lorenz Curve was constructed from the collected data and illustrates clearly the inequality in distribution of income among the 227 household heads included in this analysis. The "area of inequality" is 41.7 per cent and shows that c. 50 per cent of all households earn about 25 per cent of the total recorded average monthly income.

The above analysis has shown that over 50 per cent of the household heads interviewed have cash incomes of less than £N. 180 per annum. To what extent these income levels and distributions were influenced by the civil war is difficult to say but the general slump in the country's economy during the period of field study no doubt had some dampening effect on the retail-trade and on other economic activities which were felt by nearly all household heads interviewed.

Over the last two decades private houses built in Ibadan ranged in type from the semi-traditional one-storey mud house covered with corrugated iron sheets in the older parts of the city, to multistorey dwellings of reinforced concrete which are equipped with such modern amenities as piped water and electricity. These modern houses were mainly built in the south-western and northern suburbs of the city. (See Plan A 13.1 on page 429). In the following pages I will be mainly concerned with houses of the semi-traditional type which are still being built in large numbers in the older parts of the city. This type of house is characterized by varying mixtures of traditional and modern building materials and techniques. Unfortunately, no quantitative assessment of the construction of houses over the last two decades is available, but since 1950 the major expansion of Ibadan has taken place in areas beyond the nineteenth-century-city wall, leaving the centre almost untouched. (See Plan 10.1 on page 167).

#### Building Materials

Most houses built in the older parts of the city today require a limited number of basic building materials. These include earth for walling, forest timber for the roof frame, corrugated iron roofing sheets, sawnwood for doors and windows, cement for rendering the walls and floors, and asbestos-cement or fibreboard sheets for ceilings. (See Picture 13.1 on page 217). A prosperous man may also use stone for the foundations, cement blocks for walling, glazed windows and paint for walls, ceilings and joinery. He may also build a two-storey house with or without a reinforced concrete balcony and richly decorated balustrades. (See Picture 13.2 on page 217).

The increasing use of modern building materials entails a corresponding increase in the capital cost of housing, which, should the owner overrate his financial resources, may result in prolonging the period of construction

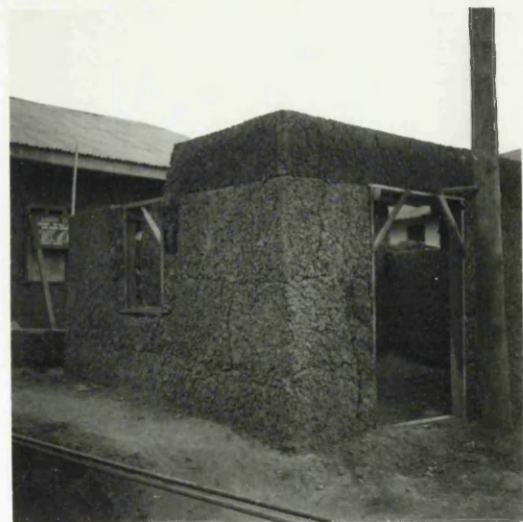
PICTURE 13.1 One-Storey House  
in Ibadan City



PICTURE 13.2 Two-Storey House  
with Reinforced Concrete  
Balcony



PICTURE 13.3 Construction of  
Mud Walls





for several years. For example, of 25 houses surveyed which were built by their present owners, two required about 6 years to construct, while one was finished within 4 months, and the average building time for all 25 houses was 3.2 years. The variable lengths of the construction period partly reflects differences in the income of these compound heads, but it also depends on their individual abilities to raise money from family members and friends or by loan for completion of the house. In most cases ceilings are fixed and floors and walls are cemented several years after the owner had moved into the house.

#### The Construction of Walls

In 1962 an estimated 22,000 houses or 90 per cent of the city's total housing stock had mud walls.<sup>1/</sup> These walls were either made of several layers of mud work or with square mud bricks often manufactured on the building site. The preparation of earth for wall-building has already been described in some detail in Chapter 6 on page 111. However, the Yoruba method of constructions differs somewhat from the technique used at Zaria, and may take one of two forms. First, the house walls may be raised by several layers of mud work usually 0.30 to 0.50 m high, depending largely on the clay content of the earth. In this process, each new layer can only be added after the one below is sufficiently hard to bear its weight. (See Picture 13.3 on page 217). This method of construction is relatively slow and can only be carried out during the relatively short dry season which lasts from the beginning of November to the middle of March. (See Graph A.8.1 on page 409). The alternative method consists of manufacturing mud bricks with the help of a rectangular wooden mould. The moulded blocks of

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<sup>1/</sup> IBADAN CITY COUNCIL These data were supplied to me by the Ibadan City Council in 1968

FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Ibadan Housing Enquiry unpublished MS. Lagos 1963, p. 6. The survey was carried out in October 1962. A total of 350 houses containing 800 households were investigated. It was found that about 10 per cent of these houses had cement block or brick walls, the majority being situated in the south-western part of the city.

earth are then dried in the air for several days before being piled to form a simple kiln. The kiln is then lit and kept burning for one or two days after which it is broken down, and the walls of the house are built with the help of using specially prepared mud or cement mortar.<sup>2/</sup> (See Picture 13.4 and 13.5 on page 220). However, brick firing is not regarded as absolutely essential, and many houses are built with sun-baked bricks.

### The Roof

The roof frame of a house is usually constructed from round, uncut forest timber or bamboo and covered with corrugated iron sheets. (See Picture 13.6 on page 220). Use of sawnwood for a roof frame is still rather rare, and is normally restricted to modern houses built by well-to-do compound heads. Ceilings fixed to the underside of the roof frame consist either of hand-woven straw-mats, of asbestos-cement or fibreboard sheets. The use of corrugated iron sheets as a roofing material is no new thing in Nigeria, and was introduced by European merchants at the beginning of the twentieth century.<sup>3/</sup> Although not recommended by the colonial administration as ideal roofing material,\* the change from thatch to corrugated iron roofs, known locally as "pan", was almost complete at

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<sup>2/</sup> Author not given "Yoruba Brickmaking" in Nigeria Journal No. 25 Ibadan 1946, pp. 297-8

<sup>3/</sup> HINDERER, A. Seventeen Years in Yoruba Country London 1873, pp. 99-100 and 188. The first corrugated iron roof was introduced by missionaries to Ibadan in 1854. In a letter dated from 14th May 1854, Anna Hinderer wrote: "Our new house, after all the toil in building it promises to possess all the comfort we could expect or desire in this country, it is water-tight! has a good sized sitting and bedroom, white washed walls, and a good iron roof....." But in a letter dated from 28th December 1853 she wrote: "Our house is very comfortable now, a light grass roof over the iron makes it cooler....."

\* Early colonial houses in Ibadan used tiles as roofing material.

PICTURE 13.4 A Kiln Ready for Firing



PICTURE 13.5 One-Storey House  
Built with Sun-Baked Bricks



PICTURE 13.6 Roof  
Construction



Ibadan by the late 1920's.<sup>4/</sup> This rapid change was made possible by the increasing demand for cocoa on the world market.<sup>5/</sup> In the absence of alternative imported building materials, the relatively high prices received by cocoa-farmers at this date prompted many to change the roofing material of their town-houses from thatch to corrugated iron sheets. Moreover, although this change did substantially worsen the climatic condition inside the house due to the intense heat radiation from the roof, it was regarded as a status symbol, and did after all reduce the risk of fire which in the last century periodically devastated large parts of the city.<sup>6/</sup>

The kinds of construction described above are usually carried out by a wall builder or bricklayer who recruits several helpers to prepare the earth and to assist him in building the walls. After the walls are completed, a carpenter is asked to construct the roof frame and affix the corrugated iron sheets. He usually makes the window shutters and doors as well. In recent years increasing numbers of houses have been built by indigenous contractors who undertake all construction work and charge a lump-sum for the whole house.

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<sup>4/</sup> COLONIAL OFFICE, GREAT BRITAIN Blue Book Colony and Protectorate of Nigeria, Lagos 1914, 1915, 1920, 1925, 1930, 1935 and 1938. Import of flat and corrugated iron sheets into Nigeria. Between 1914 and 1938 a total of 200,763 tons of corrugated iron sheets were imported into Nigeria. The pattern of the imports was as follows: in 1914 a total of 7,378 tons were imported; this amount dropped to a mere 447 tons in 1917, but rose again with some fluctuation to 16,971 tons in 1928. Imports then declined to 6,912 tons in 1934 and rose sharply to a new level of 19,283 tons in 1937. In 1938 the imports again fell to 3,741 tons. Of the total of 200,763 tons imported, over 60 per cent were imported between 1914 and 1930.

<sup>5/</sup> GALLETTI, R. Nigerian Cocoa Farmers Oxford U.P. 1956 pp. 1 and 253-56. Production of cocoa in Nigeria expanded twelvefold from a mere 4,100 tons in 1914 to 28,200 tons in 1930. By then the country produced about 10 per cent of the world supply. Galletti found a direct correlation between the price of cocoa paid to farmers and the amount of money spent by farmers on housing.

<sup>6/</sup> BARBER, J. Journals Church Mission Society London, CA2/021, 1857. In January 1857 not less than four fires destroyed large parts of the city.

### The Local Building Industry

Very little is known about the size, performance and output of the local building industry. Among the various independent crafts which enter into this industry, only carpenters are included in all three crafts censuses carried out by various scholars in Ibadan since 1950. (See Chapter 12, page 207). The investigation conducted by M. Koll in 1967, revealed that an estimated 2,000 carpenters worked in the city. Other craftsmen engaged in construction, such as wall-builders, bricklayers, plasterers, glass cutters, plumbers, painters and electrical wiremen were excluded from Koll's study, since they had no "visible workshop".<sup>7/</sup>

It is interesting to note that the traditional groupings of Yoruba craftsmen into cult units do not include builders as a separate occupation, and so there is no builders' cult.<sup>8/</sup> This may be largely due to the fact that in the past the construction of houses was traditionally carried out on a communal basis known as owe. Under this arrangement a man wishing to build a house would call on all his relatives, friends and/or neighbours for manual help, while he provided the necessary building materials, refreshments and food for all who helped. With the emergence of an urban society in Yoruba land and later the introduction of an economy based on money in the early twentieth century, this practice of communal help was gradually abandoned in large towns like Ibadan, and building then became a paid and specialized occupation.

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<sup>7/</sup> KOLL, M. Crafts and Cooperation in Western Nigeria Freiburg i. Br. 1969 pp. 118-24

<sup>8/</sup> CROOKE, P. "Rural Settlement and Housing Trends in a Developing Country: an Example in Nigeria" in International Labour Review Vol. 96 No. 3 Geneva 1967, pp. 280-91

In the mid-1950's the emerging building industry experienced a major boom due to an extensive schoolbuilding programme at Ibadan.<sup>9/</sup> Hence the number of contractors registered by the Government of the former Western Region increased sharply. The official register\* groups building and civil engineering firms into a number of categories (ten in 1971), distinguished in terms of their past experience, plant and equipment, the number of permanent employees and financial resources available to each firm. However, these criteria were never strictly applied in practice with the result that some contractors were placed in the wrong category while other contractors existed only on paper.<sup>10/</sup> In Table A.13.1 on page 430 an attempt is made to group contractors registered by the Government of the Western State in mid-1971, into three major groups based on the contract values each was thought capable of handling.<sup>11/</sup> The first group consists of small firms whose contract values do not exceed £N. 10,000, the second of medium-size firms able to carry out contracts of £N. 10,000 to £N. 100,000, and the third of large firms whose contracts may exceed £N. 100,000. The table reveals that of the 271 building, 49 civil engineering and 37 electrical contractors then registered at Ibadan, 73.8, 28.6 and 81.1 per cent respectively belonged to the smallest category. Only among the registered civil engineering contractors did 46.9 per cent or nearly one half belong to the medium-sized group. Most of the small contractors who

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<sup>9/</sup> WESTERN STATE OF NIGERIA MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING & RECONSTRUCTION Statistical Abstract Nos. 1 and 2 Vol. XII Ibadan 1970, p. 34.

The capital expenditure of the former Western Region now Western State of Nigeria between 1960 and 1970 was £N. 92.8 million. Of this £N. 12.3 million or 13.3 per cent was spent on buildings which includes, inter alia, schools, offices and residential buildings for civil servants, while another £N. 16.8 million or 18.1 per cent was spent on roads and bridges. Over 70 per cent of these projects were carried out by private builders and civil engineers by contract.

\* Now the Ministry of Works Register of the Western State of Nigeria

<sup>10/</sup> OGUNPOLA, G.A. "The Pattern of Organization in the Building Industry - A Western Nigerian Case Study" in Nigerian Journal of Economic and Social Studies Vol. 10 No. 3 Ibadan 1968, pp. 339-60

<sup>11/</sup> WESTERN STATE OF NIGERIA Gazette No. 44 Vol. 20 Ibadan Aug. 1971 pp. 533-37.

are still in business have no office or work-yard besides their living quarters. They are notoriously undercapitalized, have no access to short-term credit and seldom have enough work to keep busy throughout the year. This is also true for a large proportion of the medium-sized firms. On the other hand, the 23 large firms, accounting for 6.5 per cent of the local building contractors, are dominated by expatriates who concentrate on large public and private building projects.<sup>12/</sup> Most of these firms are foreign-based and operate sophisticated machinery. They all have access to credit facilities and make sufficient profit to enable them to sustain long periods without work.

#### SAMPLE SURVEY

For the rest of this chapter I intend to discuss some changes of structure and building materials observed in 63 compounds surveyed. My investigation of their histories was limited to a five-year period from May 1963 to April 1968, because it proved impossible to collect reasonably accurate information beyond this period. Two sets of aerial photographs of the city taken in 1961 and 1965 were used to select the compounds for study and to identify the structural changes which had taken place in the compounds surveyed.

#### Age Composition of Rooms

I shall first examine the age composition of the rooms surveyed. This deserves special attention not only because it indicates the needs to replace old and obsolete structures but also because it reveals the type and quantity of new constructions, improvements and maintenance which are necessary to the survival of any compound.

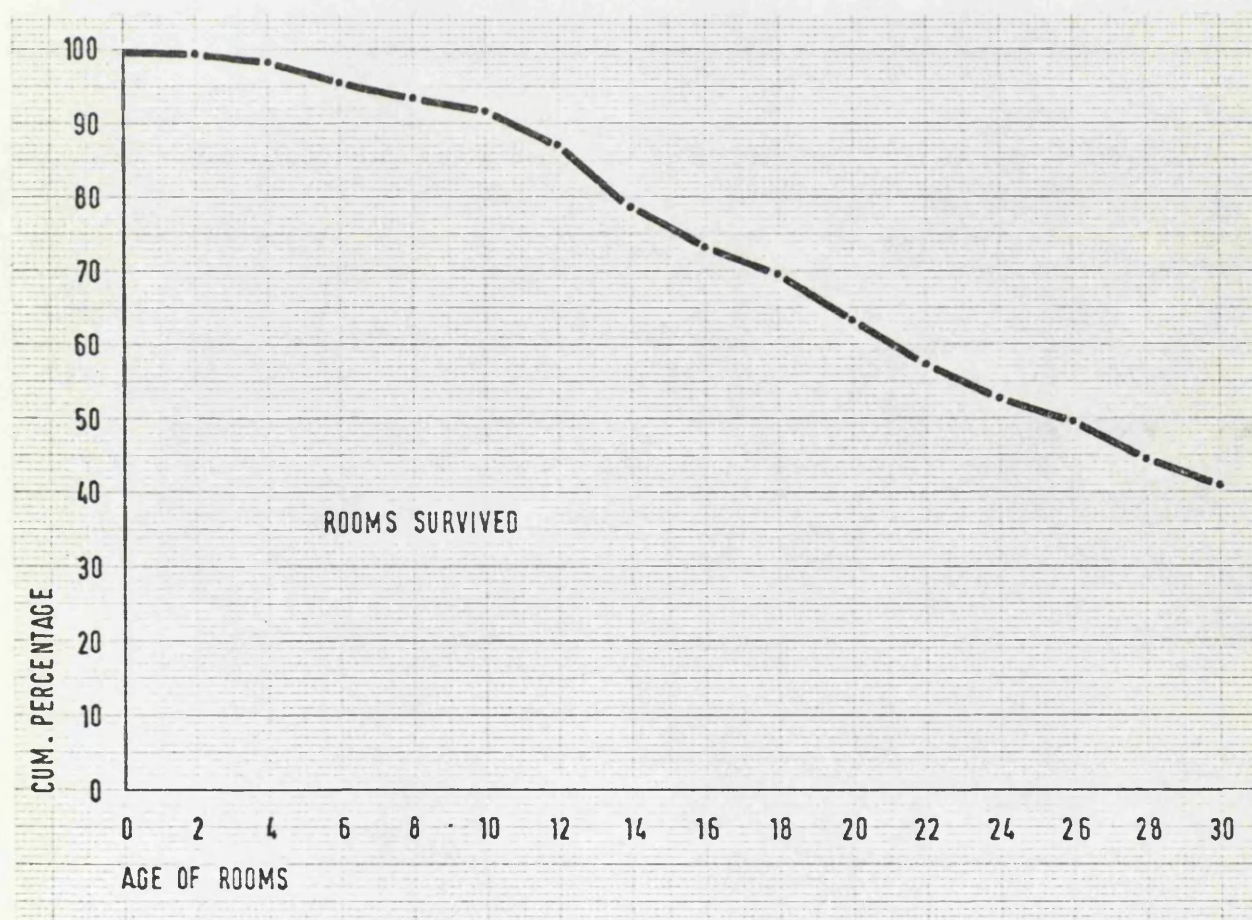
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<sup>12/</sup> OGUNPOLA, G.A. op cit., p. 348. Between 1960 and 1966 over 90 per cent of the large firms with over £N. 100,000 contract value were in the hands of expatriates.



The following graph shows the age distribution of 1,099\* rooms found in 63 compounds surveyed. The median age of these rooms is 25.6 years, which is appreciably older than the rooms surveyed at Zaria where the median age was only 11.8 years. (See Chapter 6, page 122 ). About 20 per cent of these rooms, which are over 50 years old, have so far accommodated at least two generations of compound heads. The two oldest compounds in the sample were built between 1890 and 1892 while the most recent was only 3 years old. There is little doubt that the corrugated iron roof has substantially contributed to the increased life-span of these mud-walled buildings.

GRAPH 13.1 Age Distribution of Rooms



\* The age of 6 rooms were not known. See also Table A.13.2 on page 431.



### Structural Changes of Compounds

The 63 compounds surveyed in Ibadan contained 1,099 rooms with a total area of 9,522 sq.m. Between the 1st May, 1963 and 30th April, 1968 when my survey in Ibadan concluded, only 69 new rooms were built in these compounds, while 12 rooms had disappeared or were decaying at the time of interview. Thus the total net increase over the five-year period was 57 rooms or 5.2 per cent which yields an average growth rate of about 1.0 per cent per annum. This very modest growth rate reflects the fact that all major housing developments over the last two decades (1950-68) have taken place in areas beyond the nineteenth century city wall, whereas the older parts of the city, to which this survey was confined, were little affected by this expansion for lack of suitable building space.\*

Although about 80 per cent of the 69 rooms built between 1963 and 1968 had mud walls, there is some evidence that the use of cement blocks is increasing. A further indication of changes in local building practice and standards is the increased use of cement for rendering walls and internal floors. For example, on my data the total area of cement floor in these compounds increased from about 5,600 sq.m. in 1963 to 6,260 sq.m. in 1968, that is, by 11.8 per cent and the use of cement for outdoor working platforms and terraces increased from 1,200 sq.m. to 1,550 sq.m., that is, by 29.2 per cent over the same period. (See Table A.13.3 on page 430).

### Amenities

In the following pages I shall examine the availability of such basic amenities as kitchens, bathrooms, toilets, electricity and piped water in the 63 compounds surveyed accommodating 295 households.

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\* The only exception was the encroachment of some houses on the flood-plains of the Ogunpa and Kudeti streams which caused a disastrous flood in 1963, and the loss of many lives and property.

Kitchens were found in 43 compounds which together accommodated 218 households. Of these only 7 households had their own private kitchens while the remaining 211 households shared 50 kitchens, giving an average of one kitchen per 4.2 households. The remaining 77 households (26.1 per cent) living in 20 compounds had no kitchen at all but cooked their meals either in the central halls or on verandas of their compounds.

A total of 42 covered bathrooms were counted in 24 compounds and shared by 135 households. In 20 compounds having 91 households, sheltered cement platforms were available, whereas in 19 compounds with 69 households various unpaved areas inside and outside the house were used for personal washing.

The 27 covered toilets found in 20 compounds were shared by 114 households. Another 19 compounds with 76 households had at least one pit-latrine in or near the house, while 24 compounds with 105 households or 35.6 per cent of the sample, had no toilets at all. The inhabitants of these compounds either used a public lavatory or the lavatory of a neighbour or friend.

Electricity supply had been installed in 30 compounds, but of the 174 households living in these compounds, only 126 had an electric bulb in their rooms, while 169 households or 57.3 per cent of the total had no electricity supply at all.

Finally, 13 compounds with 86 households had a water tap in their courtyards, whereas 209 households or 70.8 per cent used a public stand-pipe in one of the streets nearby.

In short, 26.1 per cent of all households surveyed had no kitchen, 35.6 per cent had no toilet, 54.2 per cent had no bathroom, 57.3 per cent had no electric light, and 70.8 per cent had to fetch their water at a public stand-pipe.<sup>13/</sup>

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<sup>13/</sup> FEDERAL OFFICE OF STATISTICS, NIGERIA Ibadan Housing Enquiry op cit., p. 10. Out of 800 households surveyed 96 or 12.0 per cent had no kitchen, 71 or 8.9 per cent had no bathrooms, 116 or 14.5 per cent had no toilets, 508 or 63.5 per cent had no electricity supply, 625 or 78.1 per cent had no private water supply.

In spite of the appalling shortage of basic amenities, compound heads were not unduly disturbed about this situation. When asked, what improvement they thought their compounds needed most, 19 or 30.2 per cent answered spontaneously "an upstairs", 11 or 17.5 per cent wanted to paint or repaint the house, and another 5 or 7.9 per cent were keen on having ceilings in their rooms. Only 4 or 6.3 per cent felt the need for a lavatory or bathroom, while another 4 were generally dissatisfied and said they would prefer to demolish and rebuild the house. Three compound heads opted for piped water, more bedrooms, electricity supply and roof repair, 5 had various other needs, two did not respond, and one was undecided. (See Table A.13.4 on page 431). It is interesting to note that nearly half of the compound heads interviewed wanted to build "an upstairs" and paint the house, whereas such improvements as a new lavatory, bathroom, piped water and electricity only ranked fourth and fifth in their collective list of needs.

The general level of house-building costs and the financing of modern private houses in Nigeria have already been discussed in Chapter 7 on pages 124-6. It was shown there that the average cost per sq.m. for modern buildings is substantially higher than for the traditional buildings surveyed in Zaria. Further investigations revealed that financial help from official institutions, Housing Corporations, Building Societies and Insurance Companies were conspicuously absent in the sample of traditional compounds, perhaps because of the average low incomes of these household heads, the use of traditional building materials and techniques in their compounds, and the mode of urban land tenure in northern Nigeria. In fact, only two compound heads were able to secure a building loan from the Local Authority, while the rest had to rely entirely on their personal incomes, their savings and on contributions from their families and friends.

The object of this chapter is to examine the costs of house construction, improvements and maintenance and the method of financing these activities at Ibadan. The discussion is based on results obtained from my survey of 63 compounds in that city. The period for which the costs of construction and improvements was studied was five years, from the beginning of May 1963 to the end of April 1968, whereas the study on maintenance cost was further limited to the three years immediately preceding the date of the interview. These time limits were necessary as most compound heads could not remember all expenditure on building activities as accurately as needed for longer periods. As far as expenditure on maintenance is concerned, the very detailed annual data obtained for this period of three years enables me to adjust the spending on this item to cover the five-year period under study.

## THE COST OF BUILDING

### Cost of Building Materials and Labour

During the first half of 1968 prices for imported building materials rose sharply, due mainly to import restrictions imposed by the Military Government during the civil war. As one result of these measures, building activities slowed down and almost came to a standstill at Ibadan. The prices quoted below for a number of basic building materials are average prices charged by building material merchants in late 1967 before these price increases of 1968 took effect. In 1967, cement prices ranged from 14 to 15 shillings per 50 kg. bag; sheets of corrugated iron for roofing usually sold in bundles of 20 from £N. 4.75 to £N. 5.0; and asbestos-cement sheets 1.20m x 1.20m for ceilings at 6 or 7 shillings.

Daily wages paid to building workers then ranged\* from 3 shillings 6 pence for unskilled labourers to 10 shillings or more for skilled assistants, while payments made by the household head to skilled craftsmen were normally on a job basis. For example, a common unit of charge is for the construction of the mud walls for a single room, of 9 to 12 sq.m. in area. Job-prices quoted to me for this work ranged from £N. 7.0 to £N. 10.0. If the building material has to be transported, an additional charge is made. Carpenters normally use the bundle of corrugated iron sheets as the unit-basis of their charge. Work done by carpenters include construction of the roof frame, the timber necessary being supplied by the household head, and the fixing of the corrugated iron sheets. For a single-storey house their charge varies between £N. 1.50 to £N. 2.00 per bundle\*, while for two-storey houses the charge rises to about £N. 3.00 due to the greater risks involved. Doors and windows were quoted to me as costing between £N. 1.50 for a very

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\* The roof of a six-roomed house requires on average 11 bundles.

simple internal door to over £N. 5.00 for a good quality external door. Windows and window-shutters fluctuated on a similar scale. All materials required are supplied by the household head but ready-made doors and windows are also available. Other prices charged by tradesmen include £N. 1.00 to £N. 1.50 for laying the cement floor for an average sized room and £N. 3.00 for fixing a ceiling of asbestos-cement sheets. All prices quoted here are average prices charged for "one-off" work.

### Cost of Construction

Expenditure on building covers a range of different activities and may be divided into five major groups, as follows:

1. Cost of construction completed between 1963-68
2. Cost of buildings still under construction at April 30th, 1968
3. Cost of improvements, 1963-68
4. Cost of maintenance and repair, and
5. Cost of such miscellaneous constructions as wells, pit-latrines or stables.

The following table reveals that of the total adjusted building expenditure of about 104,000 shillings or £N. 5,200, 48.5 per cent were spent on new construction, 26.3 per cent on maintenance and repair, 22.1 per cent on improvements, and 3.1 per cent on miscellaneous constructions. There was no expenditure for buildings still under construction at April 30th, 1968, although five compound heads had already bought some building materials such as bricks, cement blocks, cement and sawnwood for future use at a total cost of c. 4,500 shillings.

In the five-year period under study, 1963-68, 67 rooms\* with an area of 559.3 sq.m. were built in 15 of the compounds surveyed. (See Table 14.1 on page 232). The total recorded cost for building these rooms was 50,410

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\* This excludes two permanent stables which were grouped in Table 14.1 on page 232 under miscellaneous construction.

TABLE 14.1      Cost of Construction in 63 Surveyed Compounds 1963-1968

Column	1	2	3	4	5
	No. of Rooms	sq.m.	Cost in sh.	Cost per sq.m.	Per cent
<u>New Construction</u> (Completed)					
Corrugated Iron roofed rooms					
Living area, Common and Commercial rooms	49	473.1	46,460	98.2	
Basic Ancillary Facilities	18	86.2	3,950		
Sub-total	67	559.3	50,410		48.5
<u>Improvements on Existing Buildings</u>					
Cement Floors and Plaster			11,966		
Electricity Installed			2,920		
Piped Water Installed			975		
Ceilings			5,628		
Other Improvements			1,506		
Sub-total			22,995		22.1
<u>Maintenance and Repair</u>					
Mud Walls					
Painting and/or Whitewash					
Corrugated Iron Roof					
Cement Plaster and Screed					
Sub-total (1966-68, Actual)			16,389		
Sub-total Adjusted 1963-68 <sup>+</sup>			27,315		26.3
<u>Buildings under Construction</u>					
Walls completed					
Roof completed					
Sub-total	-	-	-		-
<u>Miscellaneous Construction</u>					
Includes Wells, Pit-latrines					
Bathrooms and Stables. (2)			3,260		
Sub-total			3,260		3.1
Total Actual Expenditure			93,054		
Total Adjusted Expenditure			103,980		100.0

<sup>+</sup>  $\frac{16,389}{3} \times 5 = 27,315$  Shillings

shillings or £N. 2,520. The average cost per sq.m. is 98.2 shillings for 49 comparable living and sleeping rooms with a total area of 473.1 sq.m. Only 3 houses were entirely constructed within this period, and details for two of these are given in the Appendix on pages 433-4. Another 3 compounds had major extensions including one upper storey. In the remaining 9 compounds, only a few rooms and such basic ancillary facilities as kitchens, stores, bathrooms and toilets were added.

A break-down of cost by element of building has been attempted for the two newly constructed compounds and is given on page 433. The first house, see Plan A.14.1 on page 434, was built in 1963-65 at a total cost of about 9,930 shillings or £N. 497.00. The superstructure which includes the mud walls and roof accounted for 61.2 per cent of the total cost, whereas finishes, i.e., all doors and windows, ceilings, cementing of floors and walls as well as painting together accounted for 38.8 per cent. The cost by element of cost was divided between materials 64.3 per cent and labour 35.7 per cent. The builder's overall profit-margin, which is believed to be in the region of about 10 to 15 per cent,<sup>1/</sup> is hidden in the cost of materials and labour, and could not be calculated separately for this house.

The second new house, see Plan A.14.2 on page 434, was built by two brothers, one of whom was a bricklayer and the other a trained carpenter, at a total cost of about 6,310 shillings or £N. 316.00 in 1964/65. The percentage distribution of the superstructure and finishes in this case were 59.9 per cent and 40.1 per cent respectively, which is very similar to the above mentioned example, whereas the cost by element of cost differed sharply, being 93.5 per cent for materials and only 6.5 per cent for labour as the two brothers built the house themselves.

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<sup>1/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Housing in Africa E/CN/14/HOU/7/Rev. New York 1965, p. 104



The only data on Yoruba house construction costs available for comparison are for houses built in rural areas of western Nigeria. These were collected by R. Galletti and P. Crooke in 1951 and 1965 respectively. Using these data, Table A.14.4 on page 435 shows that the construction cost for an average room of 10 to 12 sq.m. had risen from £N. 12.2 in 1920-24, to £N. 32.50 in 1951 and £N. 37.3 in 1965. Galletti interprets the temporary fall in construction costs which occurred in the early 1930's and again during the Second World War by correlations with the exceptionally low cocoa prices and correspondingly low incomes for cocoa farmers who could not afford to build expensive houses. The rapid recovery of the cocoa market after 1945 yielded record incomes and is clearly reflected in the rising costs of construction of houses.<sup>2/</sup> These increases were partly due to a gradual replacement of the traditional type of rural house with its long front room leading on to a row of smaller rooms at the rear, by an essentially urban house having a central corridor with rows of rooms on either side; but these changes of design were accompanied by increased use of expensive modern building materials such as corrugated iron roofing sheets, cement and better finishes.<sup>3/</sup> Nevertheless, comparison of these data with those I gathered in 1968 suggests that houses built in Ibadan city were on average twice as expensive as their counterparts built in the rural areas of western Nigeria. The higher cost of house building in urban areas was mainly due to the increased use of modern building materials and appreciably higher labour costs.

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<sup>2/</sup> GALLETTI, R. et al. Nigerian Cocoa Farmers Oxford U.P. 1956 pp. 252-59.

<sup>3/</sup> CROOKE, P. "Sample Survey of Yoruba Rural Building" in Odu, University of Ife Journal of African Studies. Vol.2 No.2 Ibadan 1956, pp. 41-71

### Cost of Maintenance and Repair

The adjusted cost of maintenance and repair was the second largest item of expenditure on building in the compounds surveyed, namely 27,315 shillings or 26.3 per cent of the total. This relatively high maintenance cost to some extent reflects the median age of 25.6 years for 1,093 rooms in the sample. (See Graph 13.1 on page 225). However, it must be stressed that, unlike those for new construction and major improvements, maintenance and repair costs are very difficult to check, and in consequence I normally accepted each compound head's statements of these outlays after comparing his annual expenditures for each item with those of others. Given its importance I have broken down the total actual maintenance costs of 16,389 shillings into 6 categories for presentation in the table below.

TABLE 14.2    Maintenance Cost by Element of Building 1966-68

Element of Building	Shillings	Per Cent
Mud Walls	5,884	35.9
Painting and/or Whitewash	3,589	21.9
Corrugated Iron Roof	3,179	19.4
Cement Plaster and Screed	2,147	13.1
Doors and Windows	639	3.9
Other Repairs	951	5.8
Total Actual Maintenance Cost	16,389	100.0

It is interesting to note that mud walls absorbed over one-third of the total maintenance cost, followed by painting and/or whitewash with 21.9 per cent, and corrugated iron roofs 19.4 per cent, cement screed and plaster 13.1 per cent, while outlays for doors and windows and for miscellaneous repairs were only 3.9 and 5.8 per cent respectively.

Maintenance costs for mud walls and roofs deserve additional comment.

During the heavy downpours which sometimes occur in June and September, unprotected house corners tend to collapse and the necessary repair work

is generally expensive. Damage to the roof is normally caused by high winds which may blow away parts or even the whole roof including its frame.

#### Cost of Improvements

By improvements I mean all building activities other than maintenance which are carried out after an owner has moved into a new house. A total of 22,995 shillings was spent on improvements in the compounds under study between 1963-68. In order of importance, cementing of walls and floors accounted for 52.0 per cent of this total, the fixing of ceilings for 24.5 per cent, installation of electricity and piped water for 12.7 and 4.2 per cent respectively, and miscellaneous improvements such as insertion of bigger windows for 6.6 per cent of the total cost.

#### THE FINANCING OF PRIVATE HOUSES IN IBADAN

In the first part of this chapter, I examined the types and costs of various building activities carried out in the compounds surveyed. In the following pages I wish to show how these building activities were financed by the various household heads. As has already been discussed in Chapter 7 the two main sources of funds for housing are personal and institutional.

#### Personal Sources

Personal sources of building funds include self-finance from personal income and savings, contributions from family members and friends, and such social security funds as pensions or gratuity. Contributions from family members and friends were further sub-divided into gifts and loans.

While 25 compound heads in the sample had built their own houses, only 3 had done so between 1963 and 1968. Another 3 compound heads had added major extensions to their compounds during the period under study. These

6 compound heads had together built a total of 56 rooms with an area of 507.0 sq.m., while the remaining 13 rooms covering 68.1 sq.m. and including 2 permanent stables were built by 7 compound heads and 2 heads of dependent households. As noted above major improvements such as the cementing of walls and floors, the fixing of asbestos-cement ceilings and the installation of electricity and piped water supply had also been carried out by 37 compound heads at a total cost of about 23,000 shillings or £N. 1,150.

During the five-year period from 1963 to 1968 loans totalling 4,460 shillings (£N. 223) were made by private persons to four compound heads who used the money as follows: 2 loans having a total of 3,500 shillings for new construction, and 2 loans totalling 960 shillings were spent on various improvements. The creditors of these loans were in order of importance as shown below.

TABLE 14.3    Type of Creditors of Private Building Loans

	No. of Loans	Shillings	Per Cent
Close Relatives of Compound Head	1	3,000	67.3
Esusu*	2	900	20.2
Personal Friend of Compound Head	1	560	12.5
Total	4	4,460	100.0

\* Private Saving Society

There were three recorded gifts having a total of 1,995 shillings (£N. 100). These gifts were made by close relatives of the compound heads who used the money partly to pay for new construction and partly for improvements of their houses.

The 4 loans listed above as well as the 3 cash gifts covered about 10.6 per cent of the total costs of new construction and 4.8 per cent of the expenditure on improvements.

In short, between 1963 and 1968 a total of 103,980 shillings (£N. 5,200) was spent by 63 compound heads on new construction, and on the improvement or maintenance of their houses. Slightly less than 94.0 per cent of this money came from the personal savings and income of compound heads, while about 6.0 per cent came from loans and gifts made by family members and friends. (See Table A.14.6 on page 432). None of the interviewed compound heads received a loan or grant from such official institutions as Building Societies, Housing Corporations, banks or other Government-sponsored agencies.

Given the lack of commercial and Government-aided loans or subsidies for housing to the lower income groups of the population in Ibadan, independent savings are extremely important for the building activities of the urban Yoruba. In my sample 41 compound heads or 65.1 per cent had at one time or another saved amounts that ranged from £N. 25 to over £N. 300 to finance building, while 17 or 27.0 per cent had never saved for this end, and 5 or 7.9 per cent did not respond. Savings were carried out either with the help of commercial banks, or more often through the traditional saving societies called esusu already mentioned above.<sup>4/</sup> These saving societies or clubs are believed to be of Yoruba origin and date back at least to the first half of the nineteenth century. The esusu is described by Shirley Ardener as: "An association formed upon a core of participants who agree to make regular contributions to a fund which is given, in whole or part, to each contributor in rotation."<sup>5/</sup>

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<sup>4/</sup> BASCOM, W.R. "The Esusu: A Credit Institution among the Yoruba" in Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland Vol. LXXII London 1952, pp. 53-70.

<sup>5/</sup> ARDENER, S. "The Comparative Study of Rotating Credit Associations" in J.R.A.I. Vol. XCIV No.2 London 1964, pp. 201-29

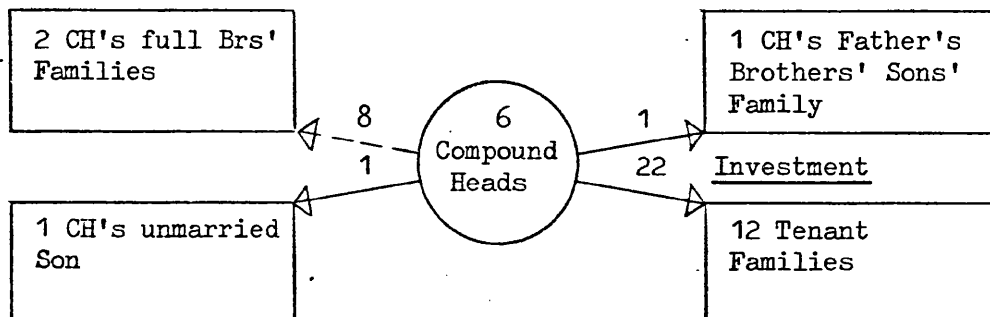
Private money-lenders are very much in evidence all over Yoruba land. However, in interviews, it became obvious that most compound heads were rather reluctant to use their services, one reason being their exorbitant rates of interest which may range from 30 to 50 per cent per annum and over, a rate that makes such loans impracticable for private house building except perhaps as finance for tenant accommodation with relatively quick returns.

## Internal Subsidy and Mutual Help

By internal subsidy, I mean the financing of new rooms for close relatives living in the same compound. This includes help given by a compound head to his newly-married son or any other dependent family member in need of shelter. In these terms, of 69 rooms built between May 1963 and April 1968, 10 or 14.5 per cent were either fully or partly subsidized by 3 compound heads. Another 3 compound heads invested some money in tenant accommodation. Diagram 14.1 illustrates the main characteristics of internal subsidy and investment made by these six compound heads from 1963 to 1968.

DIAGRAM 14.1 Distribution of Internal Subsidy and Investment

## Internal Subsidy



22 = Number of Rooms  
 —————> Fully Subsidized  
 - - - - -> Partly Subsidized, at least one-quarter of  
 the total cost.

As shown in the diagram, a total of 8 rooms were partly subsidized by the compound head and allocated to the families of 2 full brothers' sons. Of the other 2 fully subsidized rooms, one went to the compound head's father's brothers' sons' family, the other to an unmarried son of the compound head.

Although mutual help in the form of labour is no longer practised in such towns as Ibadan, many a compound head finds it difficult to build a new house independently because of the rapidly rising cost for building materials and labour. Hence, in all three new houses built between 1963 and 1968, two full brothers had pooled their financial resources to construct the building.\* While this coincidence does not have statistical significance, it indicates a general trend among the lower income groups to share the burden and costs of house-building with one or more close relatives.

Enquiries into the financing of maintenance costs showed that about half of the dependent or semi-dependent household heads were themselves responsible for any improvements and/or repairs they undertook in their rooms, while maintenance costs for the roof and outside walls were usually met from a general fund collected annually by the compound head from lineage kin in Ibadan and the surrounding villages. Such funds to cover the external maintenance cost applied only to family compounds, i.e. compounds which belonged to a lineage or section of a lineage, and were found in 18 cases.

#### Investment in Building

Investment to provide accommodation for rental is fairly widespread in Ibadan, and particularly in areas to the north and southwest of the

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\* Two of these compounds are given in the Appendix on page 433.

old city. Several compound heads in the sample had built houses in different parts of the city and rented them out either to one trustworthy tenant or more often to a number of people, most of whom occupied one or two rooms. Alternatively, some compound heads had simply built a few rooms for rental in their back-yard. As shown on Diagram 14.1 on page 239, 3 compound heads had built 22 rooms for rental. The rent paid for an average room at Ibadan in 1968 ranged from £N. 1.50 to £N. 2.50 per week. Such relatively high rents guarantee owners quick returns for their investments, especially when the average building cost of about £N. 5.00 per sq.m. is considered.

To conclude, although only a small number of rooms were built in the sample compounds between 1963-68, it can be shown that the average cost of these rooms was then around £N. 5.00 per sq.m., which is considerably cheaper, in fact between 4 and 5 times less than the cost of houses built by the Western State Housing Corporation at Ibadan. This substantial difference is partly due to the exclusive use of modern building materials, the installation of piped water and electricity supply, and the higher labour cost in houses constructed by the Corporation. It could also be shown that the financing of private houses built during the period under investigation was left entirely to the household heads concerned. Of the 50 compound heads who undertook new construction and/or major improvements between 1963 and 1968, not one received financial help of any kind from the banks, Insurance Companies, Building Societies and Housing Corporations. Some reasons for this lack of commercial and official support already identified for Zaria apply equally to Ibadan. (See Chapter 7 on page 145). These include the low average income of household heads, their use of traditional building materials and techniques, and the mode of urban land tenure, under which large areas of land belong to extended family groups which may only transfer usufructuary rights of occupancy to their members.



As such conditions are generally regarded by modern financial institutions as high credit risks, the lack of commercial funds for the poorer section of the population most in need of help is easy to understand.

### ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

#### Geography and Climate

Morocco or al-Mamlaka al-Maghreb (the kingdom of the west), as it is known among the Arabic-speaking people, is located at the northwestern corner of Africa between latitudes  $27^{\circ} 40'$  to  $35^{\circ} 55'$  north and longitudes  $1^{\circ} 00'$  to  $13^{\circ} 10'$  west. The country is over 1,200 km. (750 miles) long and about 500 km. (310 miles) wide at its greatest inland depth, and has an area of approximately 445,500 sq.km. or 174,000 sq. miles.

The main features of the country's topography are the Rif and Atlas Mountains. They are the result of extensive movements which took place in the geologically recent Tertiary Era when sediments of Liassic and Jurassic limestone were forced up and folded. The mountains, which rise to a height of over 4,100 m (13,300 feet), are roughly aligned in a chain from north-east to south-west and are divided into four distinctive massifs; The Rif, the Middle, the High and the Anti Atlas.

The contrast between the fertile Atlantic lowlands situated to the west of the mountain range and the barren desert plains of Saharan Morocco to the east is very striking. The western slopes are covered by forests which consist mainly of cedars, cork and evergreen oak, aleppo pine and various kinds of cypresses, whereas the eastern slopes consist of bare sun-baked rocks giving way to almost waterless stony plateaux trenched by valleys from which cultivated palm-groves extend like green fingers into the desert.

The vegetation found in the Atlantic coastal plains (0-200 m above sea level), include fruit-bearing trees and crops, asphodels, fennel and dwarf palms, while on the Meseta Plateau further east (200-1,000 m above sea level) shrubs and alfa grass dominate the landscape. The main crops

grown by farmers in the Atlantic lowlands and on irrigated plots elsewhere include inter alia such cereals as wheat, barley and corn as well as pulses, citrus fruits, vegetables, sugar-beets, cotton, oil-producing plants, potatoes and rice.

Morocco's climate is determined by the Atlas Mountains which act as a barrier and watershed between the western and eastern parts of the country. North and central Morocco enjoy a Mediterranean type of climate with hot dry summers, which are largely the result of anti-cyclones centred near the Azores, and warm wet winters. Further south, as the rainfall gradually decreases, this climate gives way to semi-arid and eventually to desert conditions. For example, Tangier with 897 mm. (35.3 inches) average annual rainfall is one of Morocco's wettest towns, followed by Fez with 536 mm (21.1 in.), Marrakech with 239 mm (9.4 in.), Quarzazate with 107 mm (4.2 in.), while Tabelbala just inside Algerian territory has a mere 20 mm or 0.8 inches.<sup>1/</sup> The only exceptions to this gradient are found in the high ridges of the Rif and Atlas Mountains where the rainfall averages over 800 mm per annum.<sup>2/</sup>

The city of Marrakech, at 30° 37' latitude north, 8° 00' longitude east, stands about 460 m. above sea level in the western foot-hills of the High Atlas Mountains. Temperatures in the city vary from an average daily maximum of 45.5° C. (114° F.) in July to an average daily minimum of 0° C. (32° F.) in January. The mean annual rainfall (1923-1958) is only 239 mm., and mostly coming between November and April.<sup>3/</sup> (See Diagram A.15.1 on page 436 ).

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<sup>1/</sup> METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, GREAT BRITAIN Tables of Temperature, Relative Humidity and Precipitation for the World Part IV Africa etc. H.M.S.O. London 1964, pp. 106-9, 10, 165.

<sup>2/</sup> HANCE, W. The Geography of Modern Africa New York 1964, p. 78

<sup>3/</sup> METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, GREAT BRITAIN op cit., p. 108

### Human Pattern

Since late Paleolithic times North Africa has been inhabited by people of Caucasoid race. When the Phoenicians, Greeks and later the Romans colonized the coast from the first millenium B.C. until the fourth century A.D., they found the region occupied by people known collectively as Berbers (L. barbarus). After the conquest of Morocco by an Arab army at the beginning of the eighth century, Arabs and Berbers mixed freely and are today no longer distinguishable particularly in towns and the Atlantic lowlands.

According to Greenberg, the languages of Morocco belong to the Afro-Asiatic group, also known as Hamito-Semitic, which includes inter alia both Berber and Arabic.<sup>4/</sup> The spread of the Arabic language in Morocco since the eighth century, and especially after large-scale Bedouin/Arab immigration in the eleventh and fifteenth century, has resulted in the survival of Berber languages only in mountainous regions inaccessible to Arab power. Today, an estimated 60 per cent of the total population, most of whom live in urban areas, the Atlantic lowlands and the Taza Corridor, speak Arabic, whereas the rest of the population, particularly those in the mountainous regions, speak one of several Berber languages.<sup>5/</sup>

### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND\*

While many outstanding medieval and modern scholars have contributed to our knowledge of Morocco's history, the following summary is mainly

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<sup>4/</sup> GREENBERG, J.H. Languages in Africa The Hague 1966, pp. 42-65

<sup>5/</sup> MONTAGNE, R. La Vie Sociale et la Vie Politique des Berbères Paris 1931. Trans. by Seddon, D. "The Berbers: Their Social and Political Organization" London 1973, p. 4

\* Spelling of Arabic names is based on the Encyclopaedia of Islam ed. by Houtsma, M.J. et al., Vol. 1-4 Leyden-London 1913-34

based on the researches carried out by Henri Terrasse, Charles-Andre Julien and Gaston Deverdun whose works enables us to follow the turbulent history of Marrakech from its foundation in the late eleventh century A.D. to the present day.<sup>6/</sup>

The conquest of North Africa by an Arab army began in the middle of the seventh century A.D. and was almost completed when Musa b. Nusair conquered the western parts of the Maghrib between 704-11. Spain, except the far north, was in the hands of an Arab-Berber army by 713. The history of the western Maghrib after the successful Arab invasion until the middle of the eleventh century is one of confusion. The beginning of this period was characterized by tough Berber resistance against the Arab invaders. This was followed by the rise and fall of successive Arab and Berber states such as the Kharidjites, Idrisids, Aghlabids and Fatimids dynasties and massive invasions by two waves of nomads, the Banu Hilal who were Arab and the Sanhadja Berbers, who invaded Morocco in the early eleventh century. It is the invasion of the latter group which merits further attention.

Both the Almoravid and Almohad dynasties, which lasted for over 200 years from the middle of the eleventh to the middle of the thirteenth century, started as reformist religious movements. The Almoravid dynasty was founded by Sanhadja Berbers, a nomadic people, who roamed the western Sahara, trading mainly salt for gold in the Sudan. Islam had spread among the Sanhadja since about the ninth century, but it is alleged that their knowledge of the new religion remained rather rudimentary.<sup>7/</sup> Around 1035

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<sup>6/</sup> JULIEN, C.A. Histoire de l'Afrique du Nord Paris 1956, 2 Vol. Trans. by Petrie, J. "History of North Africa" London 1970

TERRASSE, H. Histoire du Maroc des Origines à l'Establissement du Protectorat Français Casablanca 1949-50 2 Vol.

DEVERDUN, G. Marrakech des Origines a 1912 Rabat 1959 and 1966, 2 Vol.

<sup>7/</sup> JULIEN, C.A. op cit., p. 77

Abd Allah b. Yasin, a religious scholar from the Sous, appeared among the Sanhadja to preach the tenets of Islam. However, his mission was not successful and he left with a few followers and built a fortified monastery (ribat) the inhabitants of which were called al-murabitun,<sup>8/</sup> hence the name Almoravids. In the early 1040's having assembled a sizable army of warrior-monks, Abd Allah b. Yasin launched a successful jiḥād or holy war against the surrounding tribes. By 1060 large parts of southern and central Morocco as well as the western trading routes to the Sudan were in the hands of the Sanhadja Berbers.<sup>9/</sup> Yusuf b. Tashfin, a military leader, who gained control of the Sanhadja army in 1061, became the first Almoravid sultan. He founded the city of Marrakech about 1070,<sup>10/</sup> and made it the capital of a new empire.<sup>11/</sup> Under Ibn Tashfin's son 'Ali b. Yusuf (1107-43) the Almoravid empire was at its height. Territorially, it then included Muslim Spain, the Balearic Isles, the Mediterranean Coast as far east as Algiers and the western trading routes to the Sudan.

Marrakech, which was first established by Yusuf b. Tashfin as an army camp for the Sanhadja Berber, soon became a permanent settlement. But it was not until 1126-27 when the city was seriously threatened by an army under Ibn Tumart, the religious leader and founder of the Almohad movement,<sup>12/</sup>

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<sup>8/</sup> ABUN-NASR, J.M. A History of the Maghrib Cambridge 1971, p. 93

<sup>9/</sup> ABOU-OBEID-EL-BEKRI Kitab al-Masalik Trans. by Mac Guckin de Slane "Description de l'Afrique Septentrionale" Paris 1965, pp. 309-18

<sup>10/</sup> DEVERDUN, G. op cit., pp. 59-64

<sup>11/</sup> TERRASSE, H. op cit., pp. 222-23

<sup>12/</sup> GOLDZIEHER, I. Mohammed Ibn Toumert et la Théologie de l'Islam dans le Nord de l'Afrique au XI<sup>e</sup> Siècle Algiers 1903, pp. 54-71

that Marrakech was surrounded by a defensive wall.<sup>13/</sup> (See Plan 17.1 on page 277). However, 'Ali b. Yusuf's successors, Tashfin b. 'Ali and Ishak b. 'Ali b. Yusuf, could not prevent the already crumbling empire from falling into the hands of the Almohads. The city of Marrakech was taken after an eleven months' siege in spring 1147 by an army under Abd al-Mu'min (1133-63) the first Almohad sultan, and then became again the capital of Morocco where the sultan and his successors resided when they were in the country. 'Abd al-Mu'min vigorously pursued further conquests along the Mediterranean Coast of Morocco and beyond, and when he died at Ribat al-Fath (Rabat) in 1163, left his son Abu Ya'kub Yusuf (1163-84) an empire which comprised the whole of the Maghrib from the Atlantic coast to Tripoli and the greater part of Muslim Spain.

Under the Almohads Marrakech grew rapidly and became one of the most prosperous cities in the Maghrib. Ya'kub al-Mansur (1184-99), the third Almohad sultan and the most renowned builder of the dynasty,<sup>14/</sup> ordered the construction of the Casba, an extension of the city to the south. (See Plan 17.1 on page 277). Many important public buildings such as the Mosque al Mansour situated in the Casba, a hospital, several schools (médersas), aqueducts and magnificent gardens were laid out and constructed during his reign. However, his successors Muhammed al-Nasir (1199-1213) and Yusuf al-Mustansir (1214-24) rapidly lost most of their influence in Muslim Spain. Eastern and central Maghrib governed by the Hafids and Zayamids slipped out of Almohad control, and the last four decades of the dynasty (1224-69) were disturbed by rivalries between the descendants of ' Abd al-Mu'min and Ibn Tumart which made it relatively easy for the Merinids to seize control of the country.

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<sup>13/</sup> DEVERDUN, G. op cit., pp. 109-10

<sup>14/</sup> MOULINE, M.R. The Era of al-Mansur the Almohad, or the Political, Intellectual and Religious Life of the Maghrib from the Year 580 to the Year 595 (1185-1199) Rabat 1946

The occupation of Marrakech by an Merinid army in September 1269, not only brought the Almohad dynasty to an end but also the political unity of the Maghrib. The three Muslim states which succeeded the Almohads - the Merinids centred in Fez, the Zayanids in Tlemsen, and the Hafsids in Tunis - were, unlike their predecessors, politically oriented states rather than religiously inspired empires.<sup>15/</sup> The first Merinid sultan Abu Yusuf Ya'kub (1258-86) ordered the construction of his new capital overlooking the old town of Fez which was founded by the Idrisids in the early ninth century; and during the two and a half centuries of Merinid rule Fez remained the capital of the dynasty, while Marrakech was administered by Governors appointed by the reigning sultan. Abu' l-Hasan 'Ali (1286-1307) was the only Merinid sultan to build a mosque and a school there, but by the 1430's the city seems to have become de facto an independent kingdom ruled by Hintata Emirs from the south of Morocco.

By the end of the fifteenth century the Moroccan system of government based on exclusive domination by one or two tribal groups was declining. Two new types of grouping, first, a powerful urban class of merchants and artisans who were passionately interested in stability and order, and second, a popular religious Sufi Movement, were emerging. These groupings, and a professional army founded by Ahmad al-Mansur in the late sixteenth century, played increasingly important parts in the political affairs of the Sa'dian and later the Alawite dynasties.

Ahmad al-A'radj the first Sa'dian sultan (1517-41) established himself peacefully in Marrakech, and made it the capital of the new dynasty.

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<sup>15/</sup> ABUN-NASR, J.M. op cit., pp. 119-20



Abd Allah al-Ghalib (1557-74) and his brother Ahmad al-Mansur (1578-1603)<sup>16/</sup> restored the city to its former splendour. Several mosques, schools and a new palace (al-Badi) were built by them. The Jewish population of the city were rehoused in the Mellah, an area they still occupy today. (For names of location see Plan A.17.3 on page 442). However, after al-Mansur's death in 1603, anarchy spread throughout the country. The struggle for power between his sons split Morocco into the kingdom of Marrakech under Abu Faris Abdallah and the kingdom of Fez under Zidan. This division hastened the decline of the Sa'dian dynasty which came to an end when Mawlay al-Rashid (1659-71) the first Alawid sultan occupied Marrakech in 1668.<sup>17/</sup>

During the long reign of Mawlay Isma'il (1672-1727) peace and order was restored. The sultan made Meknès the capital of the Alawid dynasty and improved it by building a palace and several mosques there. He took little interest in Marrakech and destroyed most of its famous palaces in search for valuable building materials to speed up his building at Meknès. However, Muhammad b. 'Abd Allah (1757-90) restored Marrakech and some of its palaces and made it his residence. His successors Abd al-Rahman (1822-59) and Muhammad b. Abd al-Rahman (1859-73) continued to take an active interest in the city by repairing some of its religious buildings, aqueducts and water-storage basins, although both sultans seldom stayed in Marrakech.

It is interesting to note that none of the Sa'dian and Alawid sultans were able to rule the whole country which was then effectively divided into

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<sup>16/</sup> BOVILL, E.W. "The Moorish Invasion of the Sudan" in Journal de la Société des Africanistes Vol. XXVI Paris 1927, pp. 245-93 and Vol. XXVII pp. 47-56

DE CASTRIES, H. "La conquete du Soudan" in Hesperis Vol. 1923, pp. 433-88

<sup>17/</sup> LE TOURNEAU, R. "La décadence Sa'dienne et l'Anarchie Marocaine au XII<sup>e</sup> siècle" in Annales de la Faculté des Lettres d'Aix XXXII, 1960, pp. 187-225

the bled al-makhzan, the areas in which the sultan exercised his supreme religious and secular authority, and the bled es-siba (land of the dissidents) whose inhabitants were hostile to the secular authority of the central Government, though they usually recognized the sultan's authority as imam or religious leader.<sup>18/</sup> The size of the area under the control of the central Government (bled al-makhzan) varied from sultan to sultan and depended not only on his military strength but also on his ability and standing as a national leader.

The European struggle for influence in the Maghrib started with the occupation of Algeria by the French in 1830. This invasion forced the country out of her self-chosen isolation. It soon became clear that Morocco's independence could only be preserved as long as the European powers were prepared to check each other's colonial ambitions in this region. However, after protracted bargaining which involved the colonial interests of France, Great Britain, Spain, Germany and Italy, Morocco became a Franco-Spanish protectorate in early 1912.

After the defeat of Al-Hiba's army at Sidi bu-Uthman,\* French forces under Colonel Mangin occupied Marrakech on 7th September 1912. Louis Lyautey, the first French Resident General (1912-25) restored El Hadj Thamis, one of the influential Kaids\*\* in southern Morocco, to his old post as Pasha of Marrakech\*\*\* which he held until 1955. General de Lamothe

<sup>18/</sup> MONTAGNE, R. op cit., pp. 12-17

HART, D.M. "The Tribe in Modern Morocco: Two Case Studies" in Arabs and Berbers ed. by Gellner, E. et al., London 1973, pp. 27-8

\* Al-Hiba was a marabout or holy man from Mauritania who had himself proclaimed sultan and established his headquarters at Marrakech in 1912.

\*\* Tribal Chief

\*\*\* Mayor of Marrakech

who assumed control over the region, built a fort and several barracks at the foot of Jbel Gueliz about three km. south of the walled city. A modern European township, situated between the fort and the walled city was laid out and developed rapidly after the First World War. In 1928 the railroad reached Marrakech and linked the town with Casablanca.

In the French zone of Morocco, the colonial Government embarked on a programme of introducing a modern economic infrastructure. From 1912 to 1956 a total of 1,600 km. of railroad<sup>19/</sup> and over 49,000 km. of highways, 15,000 km. of which were all-weather roads, were constructed by the French.<sup>20/</sup> Special efforts were made to exploit the country's mineral wealth and introduce modern agricultural methods. The French educational system as well as medical facilities were introduced and gradually extended to the Moroccan population. After the Second World War mounting resistance to the colonial regime spread throughout the country; and after skirmishes between the Moroccan National Movement and the colonial forces, which reached their height in mid-1955, the French Government granted Morocco its independence in March 1956.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#### General Situation

The performance of the Moroccan economy between 1960 and 1970, expressed in the changes in Gross Domestic Product at current factor cost, was one of steady expansion. For example: The G.D.P. rose from DH\* 9,090 million in 1960 to DH 16,960 million in 1970 or DH 13,540 million at 1960 prices,<sup>21/</sup>

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<sup>19/</sup> GOUVERNEMENT CHÉRIFIEN SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES Annuaire Statistique de la Zone Française du Maroc Rabat 1952, p. 282

<sup>20/</sup> ENCYCLOPÉDIE MENSUELLE D' OUTRE-MER Morocco 54 Special Issue, Paris 1954, p. 189

\* The Dirham (DH) is the unit of currency in Morocco and was introduced in October 1959. The exchange rate was 100 Moroccan francs for 1 dirham.

<sup>21/</sup> MINISTÈRE DU DÉVELOPPEMENT ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1964-1965 and 1971 Rabat 1966 and 1972, pp. 250 and 198

yielding a per caput income of approximately DH 780 and DH 940 respectively. During this period the estimated average annual growth rate of G.D.P. was in the region of 3.9 per cent, while the per caput incomes rose by slightly over 1.0 per cent per annum.<sup>22/</sup> (See Table A.15.1 on page 437).

Since 1960 three Development Plans have been implemented (1960-1964, 1965-67 and 1968-72). During the last Five-Year Plan, for which no final figures are yet available, the projected 4.3 per cent average annual increase in G.D.P. at 1960 prices was probably achieved. For the first three years of this plan, 1968-70 we know that the average growth rate of G.D.P. was with 5.8 per cent per annum well above the projected average. A new Five-Year Plan was launched in 1973.

#### Natural Resources, Agriculture and Industry

Although Morocco is rich in mineral resources, noticeably phosphates, agriculture provides the basis of the country's economy, contributing 27.5 per cent of G.D.P. and about 50 per cent of the total export earnings in 1970. About two-thirds of the active labour force of approximately 6.0 million people are engaged in agriculture and livestock-raising. It has been estimated that around 7.8 million hectares (19.3 million acres) or 18.0 per cent of Morocco's total land area is arable land, of which about two-thirds were under cultivation in 1971.<sup>23/</sup> The modern agricultural sector accounts for between 15 and 20 per cent of the total cultivated area, while the remainder is still farmed with traditional methods. Approximately 60 per cent of Moroccan farmers own less than one hectare of farming land. Wheat, barley, corn, sugar beet and pulses are mainly grown for the home market, while most of the citrus fruits, tomatoes and wine are exported.

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<sup>22/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Yearbook of National Accounts Statistics 1971 New York 1973, Vol. 2 p. 90

<sup>23/</sup> MINISTÈRE DU DÉVELOPPEMENT ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1971 op cit., p. 52

Livestock-raising is a major occupation in the traditional sector and contributed over 40 per cent of the total agricultural income in 1971. According to the 1970 livestock census there were 3.1 million cattle, 13.1 million sheep and 6.4 million goats in the country.<sup>24/</sup> The estimated area of permanent pasture occupies an additional 7.6 million hectares (18.9 million acres) or 17.0 per cent of the country's total land area.<sup>25/</sup>

Although mining contributes only about 5 per cent of G.D.P., minerals accounted for over 30 per cent of total export earnings in 1971. (See Table A.15.2 on page 437 ). Morocco's known deposits of phosphates, which are by far its most important mineral, are estimated at 21.0 milliards tons. The bulk of this product, some 12.0 million tons in 1971, was exported unprocessed.<sup>26/</sup>

The manufacturing industry in Morocco consists mainly of small and medium-sized processing plants producing such consumer goods as textiles, canned food, soft drinks, flour, sugar, motor car tyres and cement. The few heavy industrial plants are largely limited to petroleum refining, chemical fertilizers and automobile assembly (12,500 motor cars in 1970). The contribution of the manufacturing industry including crafts to the G.D.P. was 12.5 per cent in 1971. However, in the two years, 1969 and 1970, the growth rate in manufacturing industry was estimated at 7.6 per cent, almost double the increase for the economy as a whole. The total projected investment in industry during the last Five-Year Plan (1968-72) was DH 1,420 million, of which DH 1,130 million or 79.6 per cent was spent by the private sector, and DH 290 million or 20.4 per cent by the public

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<sup>24/</sup> UNITED NATIONS, ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR AFRICA Summaries of Economic Data, Morocco 1971 Addis Ababa 1972, p. 7

<sup>25/</sup> NYROP, R.F. et al. Area Handbook for Morocco Washington D.C. 1972, Table 8 p. 247

<sup>26/</sup> MINISTÈRE DU DÉVELOPPEMENT ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1971 op cit., p. 142

sector.<sup>27/</sup> Exports of manufactured goods rose substantially from DH 132 million or 6.1 per cent of total export value in 1965 to DH 395 million or 15.6 per cent in 1971. (See Table A.15.3 and A.15.4 on page 437).

In the early 1970's the major industrial projects under construction were inter alia a cellulose factory (DH 102 million), a chemical plant for phosphate fertilizer (DH 385 million), a sugar refinery (DH 125 million), and an integrated textile complex near Fez, costing about DH 102 million.

Tourism has become Morocco's fastest growing industry in recent years. The number of tourists has increased from about half a million in 1965 to an estimated one million in 1972. During the last Five-Year Plan (1968-72) the Government alone has invested a total of DH 760 million mainly in new hotels. As a result of this boom, revenue derived from tourism has increased from DH 406 million in 1968 to DH 555 million in 1972. This and the growing transfer payments by Moroccan workers abroad (DH 250,000 in 1970), has greatly helped to convert the balance of payment deficit of DH 144 million in 1968 to an overall surplus of DH 131 million in 1969 and DH 170 million in 1970, in spite of a substantial trade deficit of over DH 1,000 million in 1970. (See Table A.15.5 on page 437).

Other important sectors of the national economy are commerce with DH 2,840 million or 20.0 per cent of G.D.P., transport and non-government services DH 2,300 million or 16.2 per cent, Government services DH 1,630 million or 11.5 per cent, and construction with DH 730 million or 5.1 per cent of G.D.P. in 1971.

#### External Transactions

Morocco's major trading partners are the E.E.C. countries which took about 57.0 per cent of the country's exports and supplied approximately

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<sup>27/</sup> UNITED NATIONS E.C.A. op cit., pp. 9-12

50.0 per cent of its imports in 1971. Between 1965 and 1971 imports have risen at an average annual rate of 7.4 per cent from DH 2,295 million to DH 3,533 million, while exports over the same period only increased by 2.5 per cent annually from DH 2,171 million to DH 2,526 million, leaving a trade deficit of over DH 1,000 million in 1970 and 1971.<sup>28/</sup>

Agricultural goods and phosphates, already mentioned as the major export earning commodities, together contributed over 78.0 per cent of the total domestic export value in 1971. In the same year the major items of import were capital and semi-manufactured goods with 22.3 and 22.4 per cent respectively, foodstuffs 19.9 per cent, consumer goods 15.4 per cent and raw materials 13.2 per cent. (See Table A.15.7 on page 438). Imports of capital and consumer goods increased by as much as 90.3 per cent in 1971 when compared with the level of imports in 1965.

#### Capital Formation

Morocco's Gross Fixed Capital Formation at current prices rose from DH 1,370 million or 12.3 per cent of G.D.P. in 1964 to DH 2,880 million or 15.5 per cent of G.D.P. in 1971.<sup>29/</sup> More detailed examinations of Fixed Capital Formation by type of asset shows that the share of investment in residential and non-residential buildings remained with around 20.0 per cent fairly stable over the last 8 years (1964-71). Public works such as dams, roads and bridge construction accounted for c. 37.0 per cent over the same period, while the rest was invested in equipment and machinery. (For more detailed information see Table A.15.8 and A.15.9 on page 438). During the last Five-Year Plan (1968-72) Government investment

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<sup>28/</sup> UNITED NATIONS E.C.A. op cit., pp. 16-17

<sup>29/</sup> MINISTÈRE DU DÉVELOPPEMENT ROYAUME DU MAROC op cit., Table VI p. 203

in housing and water mains\* was DH 764 million while the recorded private investment in housing over the same period was estimated to have reached DH 500 million by 1972.

In conclusion, Gross Fixed Capital Formation accounted for 12.3 to 15.5 per cent of G.D.P. at current factor cost and about 55.0 per cent goes into construction. The total investment in buildings represents about 20.0 per cent while residential buildings may account for an estimated 6-8 per cent both of Gross Fixed Capital Formation. As observed elsewhere, most private and Government financed dwellings are located in cities and in a few selected rural development areas, while the majority of houses built in the rural and suburban areas where an estimated 70.0 per cent of the country's total population live are constructed outside the money sector and never appear in any National Account.

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\* In the Statistical Yearbook the total amount of expenditure for these two items are lumped together



HISTORICAL NOTES ON LAND TENURE

Before turning our attention to the various types of land tenure which can be found in Marrakech today, a few introductory words should be said about the system of land ownership that existed in Morocco before 1912.

Broadly speaking, land ownership was divided into four major categories: first, there was makhzen land, or land which belonged to the state, i.e. the sultan, who had the right to retain these lands or grant their use to important individuals in which case it was known as azib land, or to tribal communities who were usually of Arab origin in return for military service. Under the latter type of arrangement, often referred to as guich, the land was granted in perpetuity and consisted mainly of agricultural and pasture land situated in the vicinity of large cities or near important strategic points.<sup>1/</sup> A second category of tenure is represented by habous land.\* This consisted mainly of urban and agricultural lands left by pious people for the benefit of religious and/or charitable organizations. These lands were held and used by mosques, médersas (institutes of higher Muslim learning), or zaouia (religious brotherhoods) and administered by nadirs\*\* who were officials appointed by the reigning

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<sup>1/</sup> BIDWELL, R. Morocco under Colonial Rule London 1973, p. 207

\* There are two kinds of habous land, first family habous and second public habous. The characteristic feature of the first category is that, before passing to the society or the establishment stipulated, they are enjoyed by a series of intermediate beneficiaries, in the order prescribed by the donor, while the second category is constituted for the direct and immediate benefit of the charitable or social association.

\*\* Traditionally there was one nadir in each mosque or zaouir chosen by notables of the quarter, town or district. However, towards the middle of the nineteenth century, Abd er-Rahman (1822-59), abolished private nadirs and replaced them with officially appointed civil servants.

sultan.<sup>2/</sup> Habous land was considered inalienable but could be rented or exchanged for parcels of equal value. The third category of tenure was melk or freehold land. Melk land was either inherited, bequeathed or purchased and was owned by an individual, or more often by groups of related persons. The bulk of melk land was located in and around towns. Finally, there were collective tribal lands known as arch which belonged by traditions of continuous occupancy to a tribe as a whole. The bulk of this land, which consisted mainly of pasture-grounds, was situated in the mountainous regions of the country and lay outside the sultan's authority in the bled es-siba.

After the Treaty of Fez which marks the beginning of the French Protectorate in Morocco was signed in March 1912, it took the occupying forces over 20 years to pacify the territory. In the meantime, Louis H.G. Lyautey the first French Governor General, introduced a number of important land legislations which were designed to give some land to the newly-arrived French immigrants (colons) while protecting the indigenous Moroccan farmers.<sup>3/</sup> The first step was a Circular issued by the Grand Vizir on the 1st November 1912. In it were listed all property which could not be alienated such as roads, rivers, beaches, forests, as well as collective tribal, habous and makhzen land.

In early 1913 Lyautey appointed a Commission d'Études to advise him on land policy in the protectorate. The commission's report, which was based on the "Australian Torrens Act of 1858"\*, recommended the voluntary

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<sup>2/</sup> BIDWELL, R. Morocco under Colonial Rule op cit., p. 206. The amount of habous land seems to have been considerable, particularly in towns. Bidwell reports that according to an early French survey in Taza, not less than 349 shops in the city or about 60.0 per cent of the total were designated as habous land. Unfortunately there are no comparative figures available for Marrakech.

<sup>3/</sup> SCHAM, A. Lyautey in Morocco Berkeley, U.S.A. 1970, pp. 191-205

\* The Real Property Act No.15 of 1857-8 was first introduced on the recommendation of Sir Robert Torrens in S. Australia in 1857. This act with its simplified procedure of registration became Australia's most important contribution in land legislation to the world as a whole.

registration of land-ownership and laid down procedures therefore. Most of the commission's recommendations were approved by Lyautey and embodied in the Dahir of 12th August 1913.<sup>\*</sup> The new law decreed that registration of land was optional, except in the case of exchange, purchase or alienation of makhzen, habous and collective tribal land (arch). All land registered was placed under the jurisdiction of French courts, although these courts, either the Tribunaux de Première Instance or the Cour d'Appel, could request Muslim legal consultants to give evidence should the need arise. As expected, the registration of land proved extremely slow and hazardous and René Besnard remarked somewhat bitterly: "Depuis le grand Vizir jusqu'au plus petit Caid, on se disputa l'honneur de les tromper."<sup>4/</sup> In spite of these difficulties a total of over 116,000 registrations of land-ownership (32,000 by Europeans and 84,000 by Moroccans) were requested, checked and registered by the administration between 1914 and 1956.<sup>5/</sup>

During his first year in office, Lyautey ordered a survey of all habous and makhzen or Government land, and after having successfully completed this, he recovered some of these lands from persons who obtained them irregularly shortly before 1912. In a Dahir of 1st August 1914, makhzen land was divided into the Domaine Public de l'Etat which was controlled by the Administration des Travaux Public, and the Domaine Privé which was run by the Service des Domaine. Land controlled by the Administration des Travaux Public was inalienable, while land administered by the Service des Domaine was available to those "colons" who wished to purchase it and settle in Morocco. In 1913 approximately 73,000 hectares (180,000 acres)

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\* A dahir or statutory decree was drawn up by the French administration and approved by the Resident Governor General before it was submitted to the sultan for his seal. The dahir of 12th August 1913 was modified by others of Oct. 27th 1916, May 2nd 1917, Sept. 24th 1917, June 10th 1918, March 10th 1921 and Feb. 23rd 1924.

<sup>4/</sup> BESNARD, R. L'Oeuvre Française au Maroc. Paris 1914, p. 194

<sup>5/</sup> BIDWELL, R. op cit., p. 204

were under cultivation by Europeans, and this steadily increased to over 1,000,000 hectares (2,500,000 acres) or about 10 per cent of Morocco's total cropland in 1953.<sup>6/</sup> This total was farmed by about 5,900 Europeans, with an average of c. 170 hectares or 420 acres per farm.

In 1915 Lyautey placed the administration of habous land under Muslim authority by creating a Conseil Supérieur des Habous which was assisted by a French councillor. As already mentioned, habous land was inalienable, but a Dahir of 21st July 1913 allowed such land to be let to "colons".<sup>7/</sup>

Collective tribal land (arch) was protected against alienation by a Dahir of 15th July 1914, but this decree law was partly revised by a Dahir of 27th April 1919, which placed collective tribal land under the control of the Conseil de Tutelle. The newly-appointed council used its power freely to confiscate large parts of this land often against the wishes of its lawful owners and sold it to French settlers.<sup>8/</sup>

Melk or freehold land, apart from the dahir which permitted its registration, was not affected by the land policy of the protectorate. Hence the transaction in urban land and houses among the indigenous population was conducted in much the same way as before the French occupation in 1912.

In conclusion, all land in pre-protectorate Morocco belonged at least in theory to the reigning sultan. In practice however, there were four clearly distinguishable types of land holding, namely, makhzen, habous, melk and arch or collective tribal land. The bulk of the latter was situated in inaccessible mountainous regions and therefore outside the sultan's authority (bled es-siba). After the French occupation, the colonial

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<sup>6/</sup> FAZY, H. Agriculture Marocaine et Protectorat Paris 1948, p. 62

<sup>7/</sup> MICHAUX-BELLAIRE, E. "Le biens habous et biens du makhzen au point de vue de leur location et de leur aliénation". In Revue du Monde Musulman V. No.7 Paris 1908, p. 439

<sup>8/</sup> SCHAM, A. op. cit., pp. 118-26

Government was, unlike their British counterpart in Nigeria, keen to provide some land for French settlers. This policy was regarded by the French Government in Paris, as an important prerequisite for the successful pacification of the country.<sup>9/</sup> Lyautey realized that the question of land was of the most important and delicate he had to solve in order to establish a successful and lasting French presence in Morocco. There is little doubt that during his 13 years as Governor-General (1912-25), Lyautey tried to protect the Moroccan interest. That his policy failed in the long run was largely due to the open hostility of the "colons" against his careful approach and to the lack of responsibility of his successors, particularly Theodore Steeg (1925-29), Lucien Saint (1929-33), Henri Ponsot (1933-36) and Marcel Peyrouton (1936), who did absolutely nothing to prevent the best agricultural land from passing into the hands of the land-grabbing "colons".

In urban areas the approach by Lyautey towards the question of land-ownership was similar to the policy pursued by Lugard in Northern Nigeria. The ownership of melk or privately owned land, which includes houses and gardens, was not affected by the new land law of the protectorate. Land disputes and inheritance cases, unless settled amicably by the parties involved, were tried by qudis in local courts (chrâa) according to Maliki Law.

In Marrakech, parts of the land required for the construction of a new suburb to the west of the walled city, was already in Government hands (makhzen land), while the rest was acquired from local people who were compensated for the loss of their lands.

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<sup>9/</sup> BARÉTY, L. La France au Maroc Paris 1932, p. 231. Baréty who was a French Minister and leader of the Moroccan Lobby wrote: "Le peuplement! voilà la base fondamentale de la réussite et de la longévité de notre oeuvre au Maroc. Veillons à accroître là-bas notre population française".

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### LAND TENURE AND TRANSFER TODAY

The investigation of land ownership and the transfer of land and houses described below is based on my survey of 75 houses at Marrakech in 1969. Before dealing with the results of this survey, the three main types of land holding found in the medina of Marrakech must be briefly discussed. These are first, makhzen or Government-owned land which includes all roads, markets, public parks, Government buildings, palaces, and at least one public housing estate; second, habous land which is owned by religious or charitable organizations and which was then administered by a Government Ministry. Habous land includes all mosques, religious schools, some public buildings, semi-public parks as well as some private houses and shops. The third category consists of melk or freehold land and may be divided into family holdings, i.e., land and houses owned by a group of related people, and land held by one person or individual holdings.

#### Permanent Transfer of Land

In my survey, purchase of land and houses accounts for 45.3 per cent of the total sample, and is by far the most important mode of land transfer. (See Table A.16.1 on page 439). Compound heads\* in need of more rooms normally sell their houses and buy larger ones, as the only way of increasing the floor area of houses in the tightly packed medina is to build an additional storey, which, for structural reasons, is not always possible. A total of 29 purchased houses in the survey were owned by one individual, who was usually the compound head, while another 5 purchased houses were owned by a group of related persons who pooled their resources in order to buy the house.

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\* I retain the term compound head to distinguish him from all other household heads who may be living in the same house.

Inheritance of houses accounted for 18.7 per cent of the total number of houses surveyed. Following the owner's death, a house or plot of land will pass to his children, or if there are none, to the care of the next senior agnatic relative. If the house is not required by the heirs, it may be rented or sold and the proceeds divided among them according to Maliki Law.<sup>10/</sup> Among the 14 inherited houses found in the sample, 9 were owned by a group of related persons while 5 were owned by one individual.

Houses built on squatter-land accounted for 8.0 per cent of the units sampled. All of these houses are located in the Douar Sidi Youssef b. Ali, an area situated south-west of the walled city. (See Plan 17.1 on page 277). The first inhabitants of this area arrived shortly after the Second World War. As the police were unwilling to evict the squatters, popular beliefs that they were permitted to settle there gradually strengthened. Hence the number of squatters and the area they occupied steadily increased until the townplanning authority put a stop to this development in the early sixties. At that point, the sole owner of the land was compensated by the Government, which is now reclaiming the money from the occupants at a rate of DH 20 per sq.m. According to my information only a few people had actually paid this amount to the Government, a fact which caused us considerable difficulties when surveying this area.

#### The Renting of Houses

Unlike Zaria and Ibadan, renting of houses accounted for 20.0 per cent of the total sample in Marrakech. Of the 15 houses found in this category, 11 were let by absentee landlords, while 4 were habous property. The rent paid for these houses ranged from DH 60 per month for a small house with 4 rooms and one kitchen having a total floor area of 68.0 sq.m., to DH 200

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<sup>10/</sup> RUXTON, F.H. Maliki Law London 1916, Chapter LV, Succession (fara'id) pp. 373-97

per month for a house with 8 rooms, one kitchen, 4 stores, and a total floor area of 166.0 sq.m. Rent paid for an average-sized room on the other hand, was in the region of DH 15 per month in 1969.

An additional arrangement which was found in 3 houses involved the payment of a deposit of between DH 1,000 and 2,000 per room by a tenant to the owner of the house. Once such a contract has been signed the tenant pays no further rent, and there is usually no time-limit on the right of occupancy which is heritable. However, the right of occupancy can be sold by the tenant subject to the house-owner's approval. The owner can revoke the contract only after the refund of the deposit to the tenant. This type of arrangement, which plays an important role in the local economy, guarantees some security for the tenant, and provides the owner of the house with a substantial lump-sum which he may use to pay for trading activities, marriage or funeral expenditures, building construction and improvements.

#### LAND USE IN THE WALLED CITY OR MEDINA OF MARRAKECH

The study of land use given below is based on an aerial survey of Marrakech carried out in 1960, and on a large-scale map, scale 1:2,000 published by the Sous-Secretariat d'Etat a l'Agriculture, Service Topographique, Rabat 1963. Excluding the Jardin de l'Aguedal to the south, the walled city of Marrakech covers a total area of 6,319,790 sq.m. or 632.0 hectares (1,562 acres). The circumference of the wall is 13,000 m. long. The diameter of the walled city varies between 2,930 m. from east to west and 4,300 m. from north to south. The area of the walled city has been divided into 7 categories of land. These are:



1. Building sites, i.e. houses and courtyards which account for 64.1 per cent of the total area. (See Table A.16.2 on page 439). This is by far the most important category and comprises all private and public buildings, as well as narrow alleyways and footpaths between houses unsuited to motor traffic. Land use within houses, i.e. courtyards etc., will be discussed separately in Chapter 18 on page 289.

2. Parks and Public Gardens account for 12.6 per cent of the total enclosed area and include inter alia the Jardin de la Koutoubia, and the Arset el Bahia.

3. Waste Lands cover 7.2 per cent of the total walled city. These lands consist mainly of dilapidated buildings, uncultivated stony areas alongside the city wall, and land cleared for redevelopment.

4. Roads. If we define this category to include all roads and tracks wide enough to carry motor vehicles, then 7.1 per cent of the walled city area is appropriated to these ends.

5. Cultivated areas in the walled city accounted for 5.7 per cent of the total area and consists mainly of olive-groves and irrigated gardens.

6. There are 3 Moslem, 1 small Christian and 1 Jewish cemeteries within the walled city covering about 2.7 per cent of the total walled city area.

7. Other land accounts for 38,960 sq.m. or 0.6 per cent of the total city area. This includes 31,200 sq.m. used mainly for leather tanning and two reservoirs covering 7,760 sq.m.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

The following chapter is divided into three parts. The first part is concerned with the general demographic situation in Morocco, while the second part examines population growth in Marrakech and the subsequent development in and around the walled city. The final part analyses some data from the sample survey on age and sex distribution, as well as migration, and compares these findings with the relevant census data.

Morocco: The Demographic Situation

In 1971, Morocco had a total population of about 15.4 million, that is, approximately 4.5 per cent of the total population in Africa.<sup>1/</sup> It is the most populous of the Maghreb countries followed by Algeria with 14.5 million, Tunisia with 5.2 million and Libya with about 1.9 million.<sup>2/</sup> Earlier estimates indicate that the population of Morocco has trebled during the last 50 years from an estimated 5.0 million in 1921<sup>3/</sup> to 15.4 million in 1971. During the 11 years from 1960 to 1971, the average annual growth rate of its population was in the region of 2.6 per cent. If present trends continue, the population of the country will reach an estimated 27.0 million by the mid-1980's.<sup>4/</sup>

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<sup>1/</sup> DIRECTION DE LA STATISTIQUE ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1971 Rabat 1972, pp. 13-15

UNITED NATIONS Demographic Yearbook 1971 New York 1972, pp. 111-112

<sup>2/</sup> Ibid. op cit., pp. 112-113

<sup>3/</sup> COMITÉ DE L'AFRIQUE FRANÇAISE L'Afrique Française Bulletin Mensuel du Comité de l'Afrique Française et du Comité du Maroc Paris 1921, No. 5 p. 156

<sup>4/</sup> IMANI, A. "The Family Planning Programme in Morocco" in Population Growth and Economic Development in Africa Ed. Ominde, S.H. and Ejiogu, C.N. London 1972, pp. 365-8

In the former French Protectorate of Morocco, which covered about 90 per cent of the territory, crude population counts of limited statistical value were conducted in 1921, 1926 and 1931. All three estimates suffered from extremely poor enumerating techniques and from the crude guesses which they included for the populations in unpacified areas. According to these estimates, the population rose from approximately 4.3 million in 1921 to about 5.4 million in 1931.<sup>5/</sup> An improved population estimate in 1936 which, for the first time, included the pacified areas of the former French Protectorate, gave a population of about 6.2 million.<sup>6/</sup> The first post-war census carried out in 1947 was even less reliable because it consisted of a count of ration cards, a procedure which resulted in an over-estimation of the population. The 1951/52 census, the last that the French conducted in their zone, is undoubtedly the most reliable count taken during the period of the protectorate, and yielded a total population of approximately 8.1 million.<sup>7/</sup>

For the former Spanish Protectorate including the Province of Tarfaya estimates were made in 1930, 1940 and 1950 and yielded populations of 0.75, 1.0 and 1.03 million respectively. The International Zone of Tanger increased its population from an estimated 60,000 in 1927 to about 183,000 in 1954.<sup>8/</sup>

Both the 1960 and 1971 census were national censuses which included the former French and Spanish Protectorates as well as the International Zone of Tanger and gave totals of 11.6 and 15.4 million respectively.

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<sup>5/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES ROYAUME DU MAROC Résultats du Recensement de 1960 Rabat 1964, Vol. 1 p.8

<sup>6/</sup> Ibid. p. 8

<sup>7/</sup> Ibid. Recensement Générale de la Population de la Zone Française 1951/52 Rabat 1954, Vol. 1 to 4

<sup>8/</sup> Ibid. Résultats du Recensement de 1960 Vol. 1 op cit., p. 8

### Population Distribution and Densities

During the period of the Protectorate, 1912-1956, Morocco was divided into three political units: first, the French Protectorate with a population of approximately 8.1 million or 87.0 per cent of the country's total population in 1952; second, the Spanish Protectorate including the Province of Tarfaya in the south, with about 1.06 million or 11.0 per cent; and finally, the International Zone of Tanger with c. 172,000 inhabitants in 1952 or about 2.0 per cent of the total. Following reunification in 1956, the Province of Tarfaya was returned by Spain in April 1958, the country was then administratively divided into 16 Provinces and two Prefectures. By a reorganization in mid-1970, 19 Provinces were formed, while the two Prefectures of Casablanca and Rabat-Sale remained unaltered.

According to the "Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1971" the country's overall population density then was 34 per sq.km.,<sup>9/</sup> but there were wide regional variations. Map A.17.1 on page 440 shows the differing population densities per sq.km. of the 19 Provinces and two Prefectures in 1971. As can be seen, there are three broad areas with different population densities which roughly coincide with the country's social and economic geography. First, there are 6 coastal provinces stretching from Nador in the north to Safi in the south with densities that range between 60 and 100 persons per sq.km. The only exception here is the Province of Tanger with 590 persons per sq.km., and the Prefectures of Rabat-Salé and Casablanca with 1,210 and 1,430 persons per sq.km. respectively. The Province of Settat on the other hand, with an overall density of only 55 persons per sq.km., falls slightly below the lower limit of the coastal range. However, near the coast the population density rises to an estimated

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<sup>9/</sup> DIRECTION DE LA STATISTIQUE ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1971 op cit., p. 13

80 persons per sq.km. The concentration of population in these coastal Provinces, and particularly in the highly-urbanized and industrialized areas around Casablanca and Rabat-Salé, where most of the country's manufacturing industries are located, has been created by the French colonial administration which initially developed these coastal towns. This was followed by an increasing stream of Moroccan immigrants into Casablanca and Rabat which started in earnest in the mid-1920's.

The second area comprises a group of 5 Provinces with densities between 30 and 60 persons per sq.km. These are located almost in the geographical centre of the country, and include the Meseta Plateau and the western slopes of the Middle and High Atlas. The population in this area secures a living from live-stock raising, agriculture made possible by irrigation, and to some extent from phosphate-mining. Three of the four old imperial cities, i.e. Fez, Meknès and Marrakech with their traditional art and crafts industry as well as trading activities, are located in this belt.

The third group of 6 Provinces with densities of up to 30 persons per sq.km., lie in the mountainous and cis-Saharan region of the country. This area is populated mainly by nomadic people of predominantly Berber stock. The only exception is the Taza Corridor where Arabic-speaking people dominate. Live-stock raising and some cultivation on irrigated plots or alongside river-beds are the main occupations of the people there.

#### Ethnic Composition

The two major ethnic groups in Morocco - Berber and Arabs - are distinguished mainly by language. As already mentioned in Chapter 15 on page 245 an estimated 9.0 million people or approximately 60.0 per cent of the country's total population speak Arabic, while the rest speaks one of several Berber dialects. However, a steady flow of people from the Berber-dominated mountainous regions into the Atlantic lowlands and the

urban centres, where newcomers and their descendants are progressively integrated into the Arabic-speaking community, blurs the division between the two ethnic groups.<sup>10/</sup>

Although significant in the economic life of colonial Morocco, the Jewish community was never large. In the 1951/52 census the Jewish population numbered about 218,000 or 2.3 per cent of the country's total population. However, with independence in 1956 and the second Arab-Israeli War in 1967, the number of Jews in the country fell significantly to 162,400 or 1.4 per cent in 1960 and below 40,000 or 0.2 per cent of the total population in 1971.<sup>11/</sup>

According to the 1951/52 census there were about 540,000 Europeans in the country or 5.8 per cent of the total population. They controlled over 80 per cent of all industrial and/or commercial enterprises, about 10 per cent of the arable land, and produced roughly one-third of the country's entire tax revenue. However, following independence their number declined to 396,000 or 3.4 per cent in 1960 and to little more than 110,000 or 0.7 per cent of the total population in 1971.<sup>12/</sup>

#### Level of Urbanization

The urban population of Morocco\* has increased progressively from an estimated 300,000 or c. 8 per cent of the country's total population around the turn of the century to 544,000 or 12.5 per cent in 1921, 984,000 or 15.8 per cent in 1936, 1.8 million or 22.8 per cent in 1952, 3.4 million or 29.3 per cent in 1960 and 5.4 million or 35.2 per cent in 1971.

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<sup>10/</sup> ADAM, A. "Berber Migrants in Casablanca" in Arabs and Berbers Ed. by Gellner, E. and Micand, C. London 1972, pp. 325-43

<sup>11/</sup> African Research Bulletin London 1971 p. 1902

<sup>12/</sup> DIRECTION DE LA STATISTIQUE ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1971 op cit., pp. 13-14

\* Cities with 20,000 or more inhabitants.

Between 1960 and 1971, the overall annual growth rate of the country's total population was in the region of 2.6 per cent, while at the same time the urban population grew by as much as 4.3 per cent per annum.<sup>13/</sup> The most rapidly growing towns were in order of importance Rabat-Salé with an average annual growth rate of 5.1 per cent, followed by Casablanca with 4.2 per cent, Fez 3.8 per cent, Meknès 3.2 per cent and Marrakech with only 2.9 per cent.

### MARRAKECH

#### Population Growth

Marrakech with a total population of 332,700 in mid-1971, is Morocco's third largest town.\* It is the regional capital of southern Morocco and a centre of administration, small-scale industry and tourism. Early estimates of the city's population are extremely sketchy and most likely inaccurate. Nevertheless, it may be useful to quote at least some of these figures in order to give a rough indication of demographic trends at Marrakech from the late seventeenth to the early twentieth century.

Diego de Torrès (1667)<sup>14/</sup> estimated the population of Marrakech at 20,000, while Pidou de Saint Olon (1693)<sup>15/</sup> quoted 25,000, and Chénier

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<sup>13/</sup> DAVIS KINGSLEY World Urbanization 1950-1970 Population Monograph, Series No. 4 Berkeley 1969 Vol.1 p. 141. Davis Kingsley gives the annual growth rate for urban areas in Morocco as 5.0 per cent between 1950-1960 and 4.9 per cent between 1960-1970

\* Casablanca had 1,506,400 and Rabat-Salé 523,200 inhabitants in 1971

<sup>14/</sup> TORRÉS, D. DE Relation de l'Origine et Succès des Cherifs. et de l'Estat des Royaumes de Marroc, Fez and Tarudant, et autres Provinces. Paris 1667, p. 81

<sup>15/</sup> SAINT OLON, P. DE Relation de l'Empire de Maroc "Estat Présent de l'Empire de Maroc" Paris 1693 p. 16

(1787)<sup>16/</sup> gave 30,000 inhabitants. At the beginning of the nineteenth century Ali Bey el Abbassi (1816)<sup>17/</sup> also estimated 30,000, while most other visitors in this century i.e. Graberg di Hamso (1834),<sup>18/</sup> Richardson (1860),<sup>19/</sup> Gatell (1864),<sup>20/</sup> Lambert (1868),<sup>21/</sup> Miège (1870),<sup>22/</sup> Lenz (1184),<sup>23/</sup> and Aubin (1904)<sup>24/</sup> reckoned it at between 40 and 50,000 inhabitants. Higher estimates were made by Erckmann (1885)<sup>25/</sup> 55,000 inhabitants, Beaumier (1868)<sup>26/</sup> and Balbi (1839)<sup>27/</sup> between 60 and 70,000, Washington (1831)<sup>28/</sup> 80 to 100,000, while Jackson's estimate of 270,000 inhabitants in 1814) was obviously exaggerated.<sup>29/</sup> On the eve of the French

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- <sup>16/</sup> CHÉNIER, L. DE Recherches Historiques sur les Maures et Histoire de l'Empire de Maroc Paris 1787, Vol. 3 p. 50
- <sup>17/</sup> ALI BEY EL ABBASSI Travels of Ali Bey in Morocco.... between 1803 and 1807 London 1816, Vol. 1 p. 149
- <sup>18/</sup> CRABERG DI HAMSO, J. Specchio Geografico e Statistico dell' Imperio di Marocco Genova 1834, p. 68
- <sup>19/</sup> RICHARDSON, J. Travels in Morocco London 1860, Vol. 2 p. 150
- <sup>20/</sup> GAVIRA, J. El Viajero Espanol por Marruecos, Don Joaquin Gatell Madrid 1949, p. 114
- <sup>21/</sup> LAMBERT, P. "Notice sur la ville de Maroc" in Bulletin de la Soc. de Géogr. Paris 1868 No. 107 p. 441
- <sup>22/</sup> MIÈGE, J.L. "Note sur l'Artisanat Marocain en 1870" in Bulletin Econom. et Social du Maroc Rabat 1953, No. 2 p. 91
- <sup>23/</sup> LENZ, O. Reise durch Marokko die Sahara und den Sudan Vol. 1 Leipzig 1884, p. 258
- <sup>24/</sup> AUBIN, E. Le Maroc d'Aujourd'hui Paris 1904, p. 37
- <sup>25/</sup> ERCKMANN, J. Le Maroc Moderne Paris 1885, p. 38
- <sup>26/</sup> BEAUMIER, A. Description Sommaire du Maroc Paris 1868 p. 23
- <sup>27/</sup> BALBI, A. Abrégé de Géographie Paris 1934, pp. 885-6
- <sup>28/</sup> WASHINGTON, R.N. "Geographical Notice of the Empire of Morocco" in Journal of the Royal Geographical Society London 1931, Vol. 1 p. 138
- <sup>29/</sup> JACKSON, J.G. An Account of the Empire of Morocco and the District of Suse and Tafilet London 1814, p. 25



occupation of Marrakech, Cousin and Saurin (1905)<sup>30/</sup> estimated the population of the city at about 65,000, while Bardon (1912)<sup>31/</sup> Cornet (1914),<sup>32/</sup> and Piquet (1917)<sup>33/</sup> set the number of people at 75,000, 80,000 and 118,000 respectively.

The first population count carried out by the French administration in May 1921 gave the city a total of 102,000.<sup>34/</sup> Other improved estimates were made in 1926,<sup>35/</sup> 1931,<sup>36/</sup> and 1936<sup>37/</sup> and yielded 149,000, 192,000 and 190,000 inhabitants respectively. However in 1947, the count was based on the issue of ration-cards and resulted in an over-estimation of the city's population (238,000).<sup>38/</sup> The first census with a house to house count was conducted on 15th April 1951 and revealed a population of 216,000.<sup>39/</sup> The following two censuses carried out in 1960<sup>40/</sup> and 1971<sup>41/</sup> enumerated 234,000 and 332,700 inhabitants respectively.

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<sup>30/</sup> COUSIN, A. and SAURIN, D. Le Maroc Paris 1905, p. 374

<sup>31/</sup> BARDON, H. "Les deux capitales du Maroc: Fèz et Marrakech", in Bulletin de la Soc. de Géographie de Marseille XXXVI. No. 2 1912 p. 134

<sup>32/</sup> CORNET, Capt. A la Conquête du Maroc-Sud, Avec la Colonne Mangin 1912-13 Paris 1914, p. 192

<sup>33/</sup> PIQUET, V. Le Maroc Paris 1920, 3rd Ed. p. 215

<sup>34/</sup> COMITÉ DE L'AFRIQUE FRANÇAISE L'Afrique Française Bulletin Mensuel du Comité de l'Afrique Française et du Comité du Maroc. Paris 1921, No. 5 p. 156

<sup>35/</sup> Ibid. No. 2 Paris 1927, p. 59

<sup>36/</sup> Author not given. Bulletin de la Société de Géographie d'Alger et de l'Afrique du Nord Paris 1933, Vol. 34 No.133 p. 30

COMITÉ DE L'AFRIQUE FRANÇAISE op cit., No. 5 Paris 1931, p. 362

<sup>37/</sup> Ibid. No. 7 Paris 1937, p. 386

<sup>38/</sup> SECRETARIAT GÉNÉRAL DU PROTECTORAT, SERVICE DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC De Nombrement Générale de la Population de la Zone Française de l'Empire Chérifien 1947 Paris 1948, Vol. 1 p. 6 and Vol. 2 pp. 4-5

<sup>39/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Recensement Générale de la Population de la Zone Française de l'Empire Chérifien 1951/52 Rabat 1954, Vol. 1 p. 17, Vol. 2 p. 15 and Vol. 3 p. 22

<sup>40/</sup> Ibid. Résultats du Recensement de 1960 Rabat 1964, Vol. 1 pp.81-2 and 22.

<sup>41/</sup> Ibid. Population légale du Maroc 1971 Rabat 1971, p. 6

Based on these data Graph A.17.1 on page 441 illustrates the population growth pattern of Marrakech over the last 300 years. As can be seen on the graph the population increase has been very slight throughout the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. However, with the beginning of the twentieth century and the establishment of the French Protectorate in 1912, this pattern changed drastically. From an estimated 70-80,000 inhabitants at the turn of the century, the population of the city has doubled twice during the last 70 years or so, to reach a total of 352,700 in mid-1971. If this rate of increase continues, Marrakech is expected to reach the half-million mark well before the turn of the century.

#### The Growth of Marrakech

The growth of residential areas in Marrakech have been described by G. Deverdun<sup>42/</sup> and more recently by A. Mandleur.<sup>43/</sup> As the result of the population increases outlined above, the development of Marrakech can be broadly divided into three periods: first the pre-Protectorate period, which may be sub-divided into the epochs of the five dynasties that ruled the city from the end of the eleventh century until the beginning of the twentieth century. Second, the period of the Protectorate from 1912 to 1956; and third, the period since independence.

#### The Pre-Protectorate Period from 1070 to 1912

During the reign of Ali b. Yusuf, the second Almoravid Sultan who ruled from 1107 to 1143, the built-up area within the city wall\* concentrated around the Mosque of Ben Yusuf (Djema Ben Youssef) and the central market (souk). According to local tradition, the built-up area extended from Bab Faz (the gate leading to Fez) the modern Bab el Khemis in the north, to the

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<sup>42/</sup> DEVERDUN, G. Marrakech des Origines a 1912 Rabat 1959 and 1966, 2 Vols.

<sup>43/</sup> MANDLEUR, A. "Croissance et urbanisation de Marrakech" in Revue de Géographie du Maroc No. 22 Rabat 1972, pp. 31-60

\* The first city wall was built in 1126-27

Place Djemaa el Fna in the south, and from Bab ad Dabbagin in the east to a line west of the quarter of Riad al Arous.<sup>44/</sup> (See Plan 17.1 on page 277 and Plan A.17.3 on page 442).

The Almohad Sultans and in particular Ya'kub al-Mansur (1184 to 1199) added the quarter (derb) known today as Mouassine, the area around Bab Aylan and, most important of all, the Casba, an extension of the walled city to the south.

The Merinid Sultans (1269 to 1470), who chose Fez as their capital, did not take much interest in the city, the population of which is believed to have decreased during the first century of their rule.

The decline of Marrakech was halted by the first Sa'dien Sultan Ahmad al-A'radj (1517 to 1541) who made the city again the capital of the country. His successors, noticeably Abd Allah al-Ghalib (1557-1574) and Ahmad al-Mansur (1578 to 1603), also known as al-dhahabi, the golden, restored the city to its former splendour. The area around Bab Tashzout in the north, the quarters of Sidi Ben Sliman and Arsat Ben Chebli in the west, Dabachi and Kennaria in the south, and part of Bab Hailen in the east were developed by them. (For place names see Plan A.17.3 on page 442). In addition a new quarter to rehouse the city's Jewish population (mellah) was built alongside the eastern wall of the Casba.<sup>45/</sup>

Although Mawlay Isma'il the second Alaouide Sultan chose Meknès as the capital of the new dynasty, and only Muhammad b. 'Abd Allah (1757 to 1790) lived in Marrakech for any length of time, the city grew slowly after assuming the status of the regional capital of southern Morocco. The new quarters built during the Alaouide dynasty include Kaa el Mechra in the north, most of the southern quarters between Sidi Mimoun in the west and

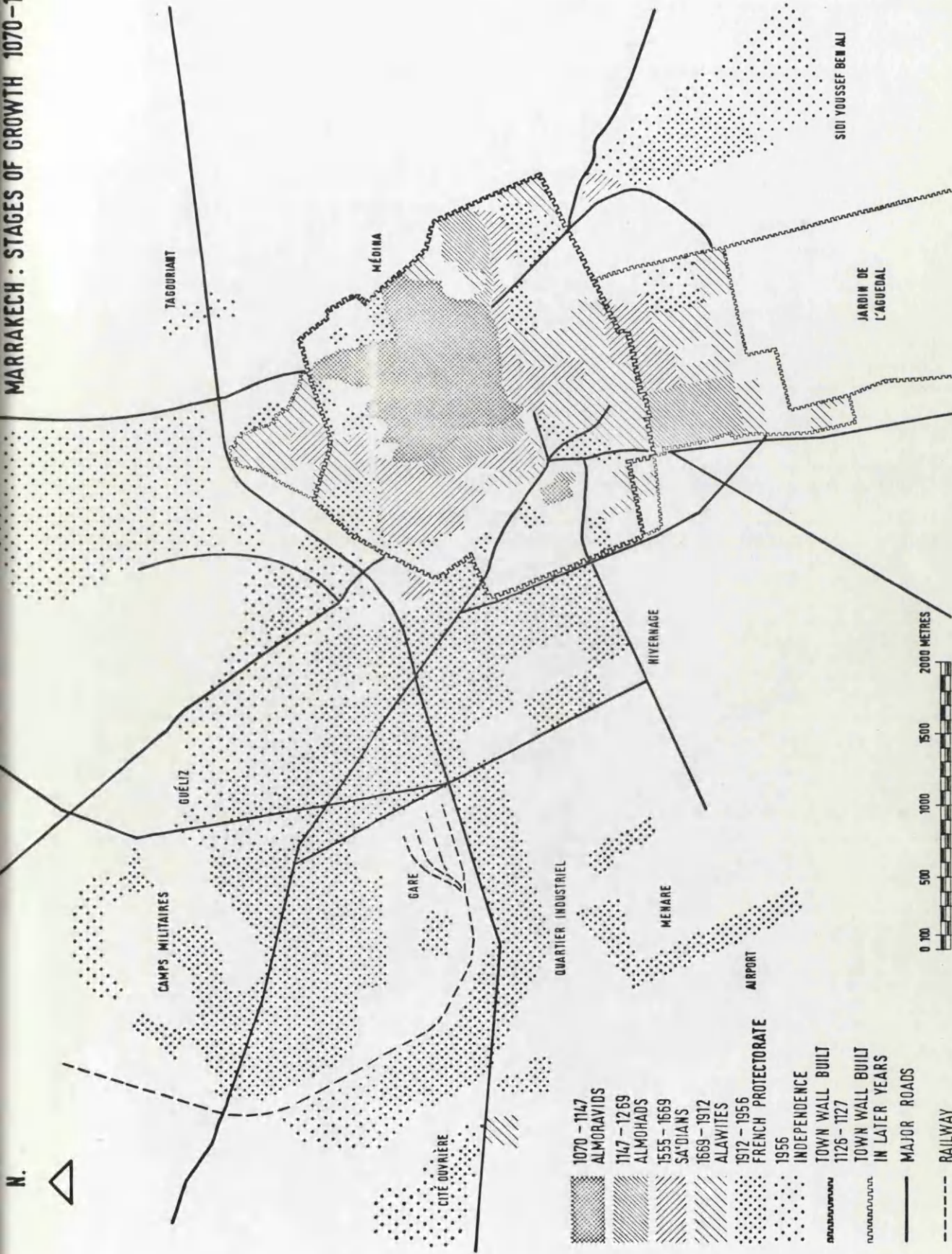
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<sup>44/</sup> DEVERDUN, G. op cit., pp. 142-3

<sup>45/</sup> BÉNECH, J. Essai d'explication d'un Mellah, un des Aspects du Judaïsme Paris 1950, p. 1-7

PLAN 17.1 Marrakech: Stages of Growth 1070-1970

MARRAKECH : STAGES OF GROWTH 1070-1970



Djenan bou Zerki in the east as well as the area around Bab Ahmar in the south. On the eve of the French occupation nearly all open areas within the walled city, except the private gardens and parks were occupied, leaving precious little space for further development.

#### The Protectorate Period 1912 to 1956

No doubt, the period of the French Protectorate has had the greatest impact on the city since its foundation in the eleventh century. After the French occupation of Marrakech in September 1912, the military administration under General Lyautey embarked on an ambitious plan to demarcate several areas for European township development outside the major cities of Morocco. The task of planning these new towns was given to H. Prost who came to Morocco in 1913.<sup>46/</sup> In his capacity as head of the planning mission in Morocco, Prost designed new township areas at Fez, Marrakech, Rabat, Meknès and Casablanca. The basic ideas which guided the design of these strictly segregated township areas was to establish an undisputed French presence, to limit the conflict between the French and Moroccan communities, and to preserve the character of the ancient walled cities.<sup>47/</sup> A Dahir of 16th April 1914 provided the legal base for the acquisition of makhzen and/or habous land for this purpose, while a Dahir of 12th November 1917 created the "Associations Syndicales Urbaines" to organize and undertake part of the new construction.

At Marrakech, the initial construction work on the European township area started in 1913. By 1923, when Prost left Morocco, the core of the new township area consisting of a camps Militaire and a residential area

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<sup>46/</sup> MARRAST, J. "Maroc" in L'Oeuvre de Henri Prost Academie d'Architecture Paris 1960 pp. 107-15

<sup>47/</sup> LYAUTEY, H.G. "... le respect de l'intégratité artistique et morale des villes anciennes." Quoted by Mandleur, A. op cit., p. 42

with shops, administrative buildings, hotels, cinemas and sport facilities was almost complete. In 1930, the Quartier Industriel and the Hivernage, a low-density living area, came into existence. Thus on the eve of independence the European township area, including Gueliz, Hivernage and the Quartier Industriel but excluding the camps militaires, had an estimated population of over 15,000 inhabitants or about 6 per cent of the total population at Marrakech.

The population of the walled city on the other hand almost doubled from an estimated 100,000 in 1921 to nearly 180,000 in 1951. This rapid population increase which was mainly due to immigration, was not matched by an equally extensive building programme. Between 1921 and 1956, only about 35 hectares or c. 10 per cent of the total built-up area within the walled city was re-developed as residential area,\* while most newcomers had to settle in already overcrowded old quarters. Hence the overall population density in the walled city reached over 500 persons per hectare or 200 persons per acre in the early 1950's. (For more detailed information see Plan A.17.4 on page 443). With such increases of population inside the walled city, newcomers were forced to settle elsewhere. The new suburb of Sidi Youssef ben Ali proved to be the most popular area for immigrants. As a result, the settlement grew unplanned from a few hundred families in the mid-1940's to an estimated 15,000 people in 1956. Most of the inhabitants of this area live in self-built houses, which are often sub-standard and without basic sanitary facilities.<sup>48/</sup>

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\* The districts built between 1921 and 1956 include inter alia Arset Ihiri and Arset ben Chebli in the west, Arset Maach in the south and Arset el Hacuta as well as Arset Baraka in the south-west

<sup>48/</sup> LEENHEER, M. de "L'habitat Précaire à Marrakech et dans sa Zone Périphérique" in Revue de Géographie du Maroc No. 17 Rabat 1970 pp. 43-51

### The Period since Independence

Since 1956, Marrakech has increased its urban population from an estimated 230,000 to 332,700 inhabitants by July 1971. There were two main areas outside the walled city where the bulk of the immigrants settled; first, in the already mentioned area of Sidi Youssef ben Ali which increased rapidly to 54,000 inhabitants in 1971; secondly, in the Cité Mohammédia, formerly the Extension Nord, a well-planned suburb, which was laid out in the early 1960's and housed about 25,000 inhabitants in 1971.

The area of Gueliz which, after the reduction of its French population that followed independence, increased to over 22,000 inhabitants in 1971, today houses the Moroccan Elite, the remaining Europeans and some Jews who have quit their traditional quarters in the walled city for better accommodation.

In spite of its already very densely populated quarters, the walled city or medina increased its population slightly from about 180,000 in 1951 to 208,000 in 1971, that is, by an average of 0.7 per cent per annum.

### Administrative Division

The walled city of Marrakech, where most of the houses surveyed, discussed below, were located, is governed by a pasha or mayor and is divided into four arrondissements, administered by khalifas or deputies. These are: the arrondissement Nord with 45,850 inhabitants, the Ouest or Bab Dukkala with 31,860, the Centre with 66,620 and the Sud with 63,960 inhabitants in 1971. These arrondissements are further sub-divided into 32 quarters (derb) looked after by mukaddimins. (See Plan A.17.3 on page 442).

### Migration

Although Arabic-speaking, the indigenous population of Marrakech is almost entirely composed of Berber stock. According to the 1960 census, no data for the 1971 census being yet available, slightly under half of all household heads who took part in the census were born outside Marrakech.<sup>49/</sup> This represents by far the lowest proportion of immigrant household heads for any other Moroccan city over 100,000 inhabitants. The age of these household heads when immigrating to Marrakech was given as between 15 and 29 years. This relatively restrained rate of immigration\* is most likely due to the severely restricted employment opportunities in the city which has only a small-scale food-processing industry employing about 5.0 per cent of its total labour force.<sup>50/</sup>

### Age and Sex Distribution

The age composition of the sample population in Marrakech was collected with the help of the so-called "Historical Calendar Method". The advantages and limitations of this method have already been discussed in some detail in Chapter 3 on page 54.

The following table gives the age and sex ratios of the sample population for comparison with the census return for Marrakech in 1960. (No detailed data for the 1971 census are yet available).

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<sup>49/</sup> NOIN, D. et al. La Population Rurale du Maroc Publication de l'Université de Rouen, Paris 1970, Vol.2 pp. 256-79

\* In Casablanca about 80 per cent of all household heads were born outside the city.

<sup>50/</sup> MANDLEUR, A. "Les Industries Alimentaires de Marrakech" in Revue de Géographie du Maroc No. 17 Rabat 1970, pp. 53-69



TABLE 17.1 Population Distribution by Age and Sex Groups in Percentages

Age and Sex Groups	Marrakech 1960 <sup>51/</sup> Pop. 243,134	Sample Survey 1969 Pop. 896
0-14	41.4	44.9
15-49	46.6	40.8
50+	12.0	14.3
Male	49.0	45.5
Female	51.0	54.5
Total	100.0	100.0

In 1960 the proportion of the population under the age of 15 was high, namely 41.4 per cent and 44.9 per cent for the sample population studied in 1969. This large proportion of young people, which is a widely accepted feature for most African countries, is the result of high fertility and declining infant mortality. Diagram A.17.1 on page 444 shows comparative percentage distribution for male and female at five-year intervals for the total population of Morocco in 1971, for the city of Marrakech in 1960, and for the sample population studied in 1969. As may be seen from the bar-chart for Marrakech, the population in the city was only slightly affected by age-selective immigration among the male population aged 25 to 44 and females aged 25 to 34. The sample population, on the other hand, shows a slight excess of females between the age of 30 to 39, while the male population aged 30 to 34 were under-estimated in all probability due to some mis-information and the smallness of the sample.

The sex ratio given at the lower part of Table 17.1 shows an excess of females over males in the 1960 census and even more so in the sample population. This may be partly due to the generally higher number of female immigrants

<sup>51/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Résultats du Recensement de 1960 op cit., Vol. 1 p. 108

(141 females against 98 males), and to the substantially larger number of divorced and widowed females (69) as against only 3 divorced and no widowed males observed in the sample. (See Table 18.1 on page 445).

### Migration

While the total population of Morocco increased by about 2.6 per cent per annum between 1960 and 1971, the population of Marrakech increased by 2.9 per cent per annum over the same period. Thus the theoretical influx of immigrants into the city may be estimated at 0.3 per cent per annum. This increase is relatively modest when compared with Rabat-Salé with an overall annual increase of 5.1 per cent and Casablanca with 4.2 per cent per annum between 1960 and 1971. The majority of immigrants who came to Marrakech are Berber either from the surrounding countryside, or from other southern and eastern Provinces.

Of the sample population, 239 persons, namely 98 males and 141 females, or 26.7 per cent of the total were born outside the city. Of 68 compound heads,\* 27 or 39.7 per cent immigrated to Marrakech, while 62 or 50.8 per cent of the dependent and tenant household heads in the sample came to the city in their early manhood. The main reasons for coming to Marrakech were given by these household heads as economic, though some stressed the city's superior educational facilities for their children. In order of numerical importance the birthplaces of all 89 immigrant household heads (including immigrant compound heads) was the Province of Marrakech with 40 household heads or 45.0 per cent followed by the Provinces of Quarzazate with 20 or 22.5 per cent, Safi 9 or 10.1 per cent and Beni Mellal, 5 or 5.6 per cent. The remaining 15 household heads came from further away including the Provinces of Settat, Meknès, Agadir, El Jadida, Taza and Fez. (For the location of these Provinces see Map A.17.2 on page 440).

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\* There were 7 tenement houses without compound heads included in the survey

The majority of the 141 immigrant females came as wives to Marrakech. The birthplaces of these 83 wives was in order of numerical importance, the Province of Marrakech with 31 or 37.3 per cent, Quarzazate 16 or 19.3 per cent, Safi 11 or 13.2 per cent and Beni Mellal 5 or 6.0 per cent. The remaining 20 wives came from various other Moroccan Provinces, two came from Oran and one from Austria.

The following chapter on domestic groupings discusses the house and its inhabitants, and is divided into three main parts. The first part gives a brief description of the conventional urban house type found in many traditional Moroccan cities followed by an analysis of the mode of kinship organization and domestic groupings based on my survey of 75 houses in the walled city or medina of Marrakech. I intend then to illustrate the effect that changes in the composition and kinship organization of the inhabitants may have on the lay-out, size and occupational pattern of the house. In the final section I am concerned with the distribution of floor area among the various kinds of households in the sample.

### THE COURTYARD HOUSE

#### Lay-Out and Organization

Historically speaking, the courtyard house is probably one of the oldest known urban house types in the western hemisphere. Early examples excavated in present-day Turkey date from the seventh millennium B.C.<sup>1/</sup> It is interesting to observe that in the Moslem dominated countries of the Middle East and North Africa the basic pattern of the courtyard house has survived almost unchanged over the centuries. At least three factors have contributed to its apparently unchanged popularity; first, the relatively economic use of land, as this house type does not require large building sites; second, the courtyard house guarantees even in crowded urban conditions a maximum of privacy, which is of paramount importance where "purdah" is imposed by the household head; and third, this house type, which frequently has a planted courtyard, is well adapted to the conditions of hot-dry climates.

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<sup>1/</sup> LAMPL, P. Cities and Planning in the Ancient Near East New York 1968, pp. 21-2 and p. 34

Today, the Moroccan urban population distinguishes between two types of courtyard houses: the dar which has a small paved courtyard (oust-ad-dar), and its larger counterpart, the riad, which always has an interior garden. As can be seen on page 287 in basic lay-out and organization, the plans of these two house types are very similar. However, compared with a dar, the riad has on average more rooms, better quality finish and more expensive furniture. It goes without saying that the inhabitants of a riad usually belong to the upper income groups.

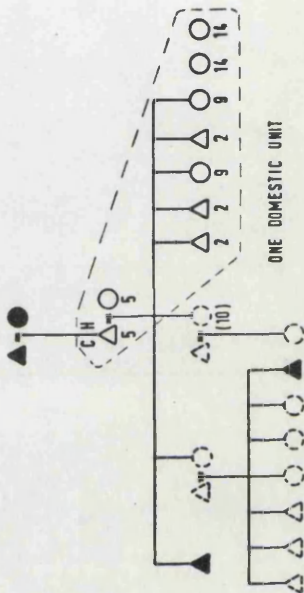
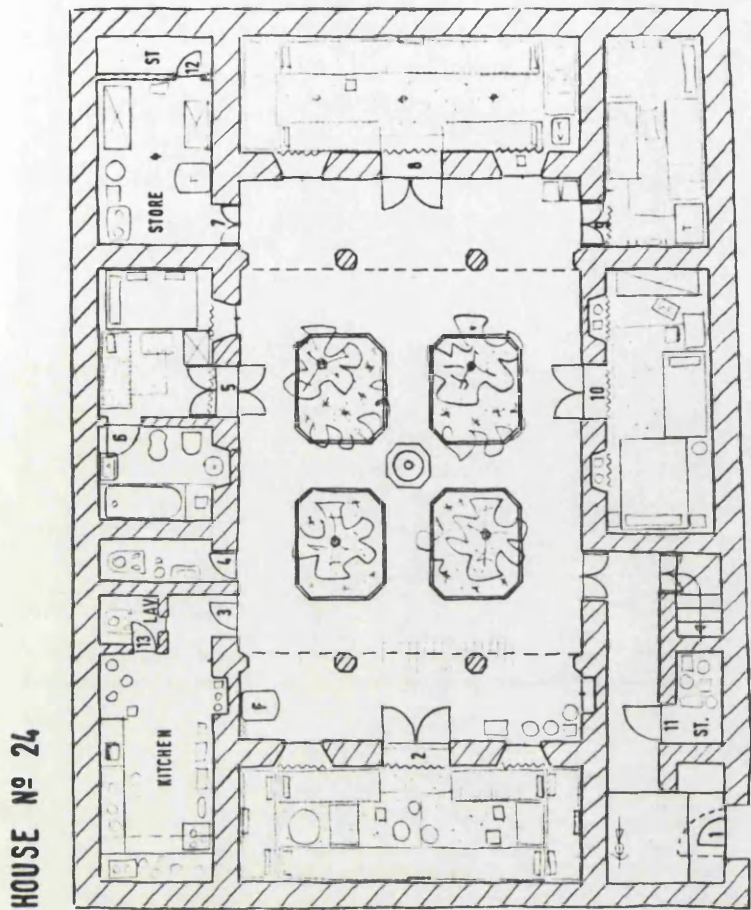
As shown in the two examples all rooms open onto the central courtyard or garden. The rooms are usually long and narrow, their width being determined by the length of timber beams available on the local building material market for the construction of roofs and/or ceilings.\* The positions of the various types of rooms grouped around the courtyard is fairly uniform. The main living, sleeping and reception rooms are always placed alongside the courtyard or interior garden, while the corners of the house are reserved for such rooms as kitchens, stores, toilets, bathrooms, entrance halls and staircases.<sup>2/</sup> The plain nearly windowless elevations of most houses that face the narrow alleyways or streets contrast pleasantly with the enchanting atmosphere of their interior. (See Picture 18.1, 18.2 and 18.3 on page 288 ). In Marrakech, as in many other traditional Moroccan cities, courtyard houses vary greatly in size and appearance, but their basic characteristics, described above, are always the same.

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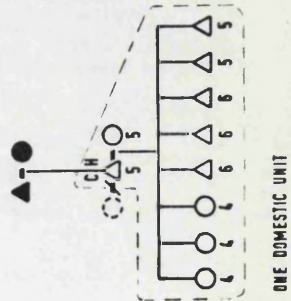
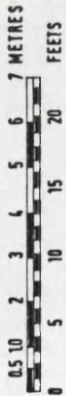
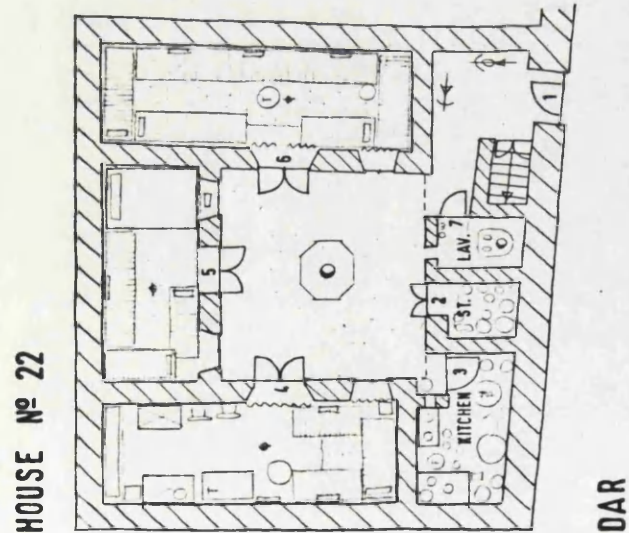
\* The length of wooden roof beams rarely exceeds 3.0 metres.

<sup>2/</sup> GALLOTTI, J. Le Jardin et la Maison Arabes au Maroc Paris 1926, Vol. 1 pp. 3-13.

PLAN 18.1 House 24 (Riad)



PLAN 18.2 House 22 (Dar)



PICTURE 18.1    Narrow Street  
in Marrakech



PICTURE 18.2    Interior  
Garden of Courtyard House  
(Riad)



PICTURE 18.3    Room of  
Courtyard House





In contrast to a dar or riad, fondouks are large courtyard houses which contain many rooms. Originally used as entrepôts or warehouses for the caravan trade to and from West Africa, these courtyard houses were adapted for permanent habitation soon after the trade across the Sahara came to an end at the turn of this century. Since then, the rooms have been hired out for a monthly rent to less well-off families and immigrants. Overcrowding, poor sanitary facilities and lack of regular maintenance are the main features of the few remaining fondouks.<sup>3/</sup> (See Plan 18.3 on page 290).

The modern houses situated in the western suburbs of the city most of which were built or influenced by the French were not investigated and are therefore excluded from this study.

#### Land Use

The data on land use given below derive from measurements taken in 75 houses in the walled city of Marrakech.\* The houses surveyed covered a total area of 11,089 sq.m.\*\* which may be divided into the built-up area of 8,809 sq.m. or 79.4 per cent, and the open area of 2,280 sq.m. or 20.6 per cent. The average size of the surveyed houses is 148.0 sq.m. or 1,593 sq.ft. The open area of courtyards can be sub-divided into two basic categories: first, the areas paved either with cement screed or ceramic tiles which accounted for 2,062 sq.m. or 90.4 per cent of the total open area, and second, the planted areas with 218.0 sq.m. or 9.6 per cent.

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<sup>3/</sup> LEENHEER, M. de "L'habitat Précaire à Marrakech et dans sa zone Périphérique" in Revue de Géography du Maroc No. 17 Rabat 1970, pp. 43-51

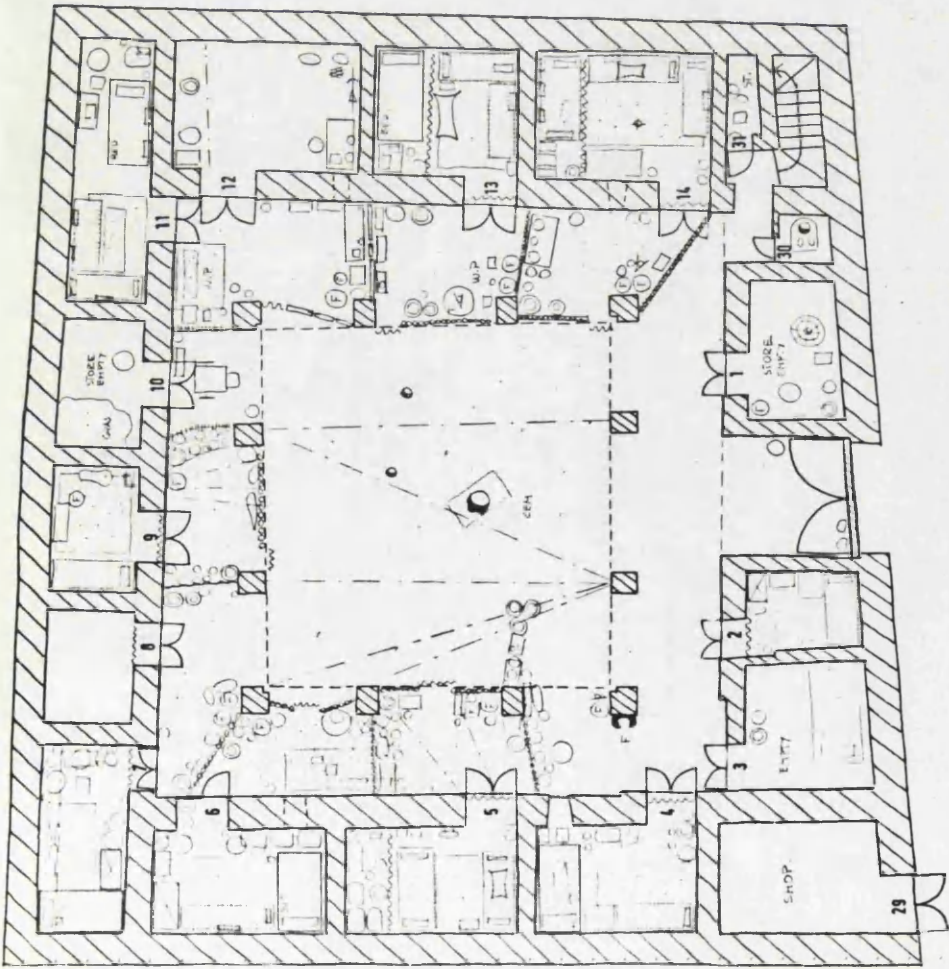
\* There were 10 houses situated in Sidi Youssef ben Ali a suburb just outside the walled city to the south-east

\*\* The total area includes only the house and the internal courtyard. Public or semi-public footpaths and other open areas alongside the house are excluded.

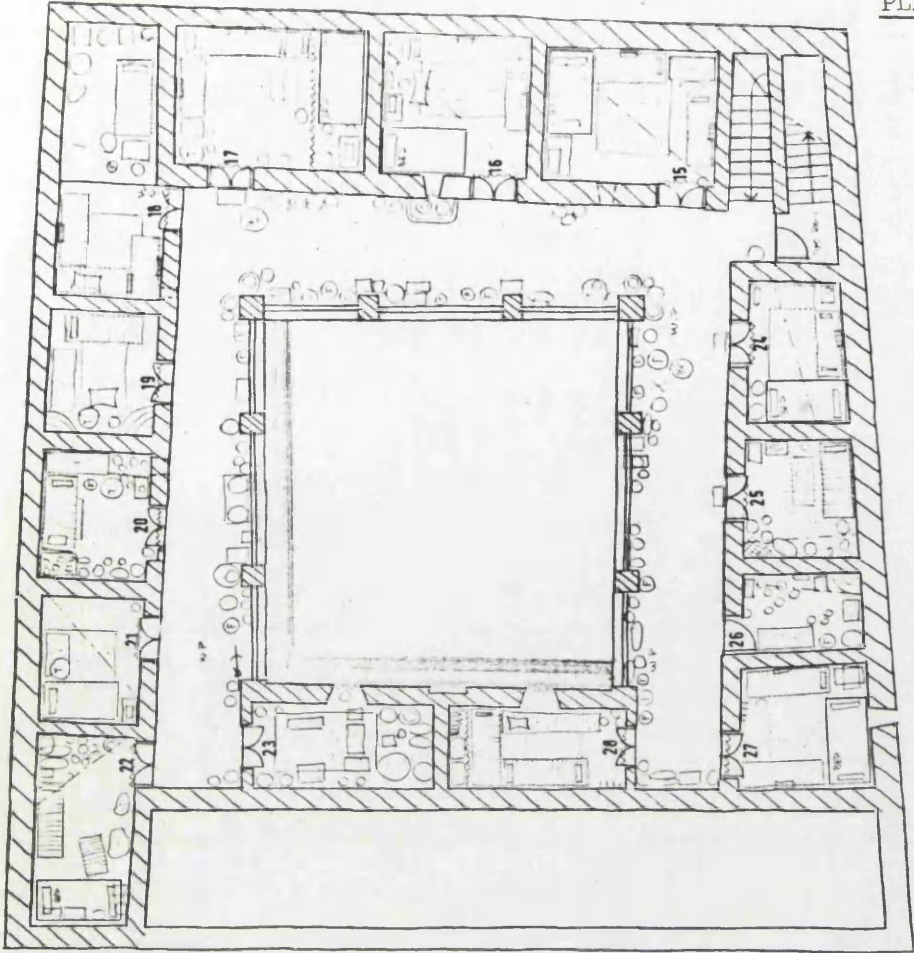


PLAN 18.3 House 75  
Fondouk

HOUSE N° 75



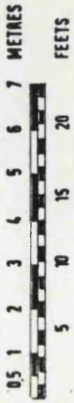
GROUND FLOOR



FIRST FLOOR

TEENY HOUSEHOLDS

PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD	NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS	NUMBER OF PERSONS	PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD	NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS	NUMBER OF PERSONS
1	8	8	5	1	5
2	5	10	6	2	12
3	2	6	8	1	8
4	5	20	TOTAL	24	63



### Type and Size of Rooms

The built-up area of the 75 houses surveyed contained a total of 776 rooms, averaging 10.3 per house. The total floor area of 8,326.0 sq.m. is divided into four categories:

Living area accounted for 5,901 sq.m. or 70.9 per cent of the total floor area. This includes 289 rooms with an average size of 12.0 sq.m. used for sleeping, 35 sitting rooms or parlours with an average size of 14.6 sq.m., 36 storage rooms used for personal belongings with an average size of 6.7 sq.m. and 55 empty rooms, some of them under repair. A total of 11 verandahs were also included in the living area. With a total of 415 rooms this is by far the most important group of rooms.

Common rooms accounted for 1,273 sq.m. or 15.3 per cent of the total floor area. This category includes 78 entrance lobbies as well as all passages and staircases.

Basic ancillary facilities accounted for 1,030 sq.m. or 12.3 per cent of the total floor area. This includes 86 kitchens having an average size of 6.1 sq.m., 80 general store rooms and 104 toilets and/or bathrooms.

Commercially used rooms accounted for a mere 123.0 sq.m. or 1.5 per cent of the total floor area in these houses and comprises 13 shops and/or work shops. (See Table A.18.6 on page 448).

### SOCIAL STRUCTURE AND KINSHIP ORGANIZATION

As already mentioned earlier\* slightly over one third of Morocco's total population are now city-dwellers, while the rest live in rural areas where they are organized in various kinds of tribal groups. The following

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\* See Chapter 17 on page 271.

brief description of the social structure and kinship organization of these tribal groups is thus necessary to introduce the discussion of the mode of kinship organization in urban areas and particularly among the people covered by the survey in Marrakech.

All Moroccan tribes whether Arabic- or Berber-speaking are agnatic and segmentary in character. Thus each tribe (kabila in Arabic; tacbilt in Berber) is divided into several clans though seldom more than five.<sup>4/</sup> Each of these clans are again segmented into a number of sub-clans, which in turn are further divided into agnatic or patrilineal lineages. At this level of segmentation, the group usually refers to a widely known male ancestor, the lineage founder, who may be 3 to 5 generations removed from the oldest living member. All lineages are further divided into several patrilineal extended families (adam or ighs in Arabic; tigemmi or adouar in Berber) which for example may consist of a compound head's family, together with the families of his married son or sons, their descendants and/or collateral agnates and their dependents. As each patrilineal extended family may occupy a common house, it is the basic kinship unit which will be analysed below. While in rural areas the patrilineal extended family is firmly embedded in the social structure of the larger kinship units described above, in the cities its affiliation to wider kinship groups is less important and is partly replaced by the ties of its members to occupational associations or guilds and other urban socio-economic institutions.

However, before analysing the various types of co-residential kinship groups found in my sample we must once again turn our attention to the division of these groups into units of domestic economy or households.

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<sup>4/</sup> HART, D.M. "Segmentary Systems and the Role of 'five fifths' in tribal Morocco" in Revue de l'occident Musulman et de la Méditerranée No. 3 Aix-En-Provence 1967 pp. 65-95

As already observed, the inhabitants of a house or compound are not necessarily divided into economic units along kinship lines. A household may contain, besides a nuclear or individual family (kanoun in Arabic; taka in Berber) consisting of a man, his wife and their own unmarried children, several single, divorced and/or widowed relatives and one or more unrelated persons. Some households may therefore contain several fragmented families, i.e. divorced or widowed persons and their children, while yet others may contain only a single person or persons.

The 75 houses surveyed in Marrakech contained a total of 190 households which fall into three categories mentioned above; first, the compound head's household,\* second, all other related dependent or semi-dependent households; and finally, tenant households who pay a monthly rent for their room or rooms. In the following pages I will examine some aspects of these three different categories of households before discussing the various forms of kinship groupings and organizations found within them.

#### Population and Household Data

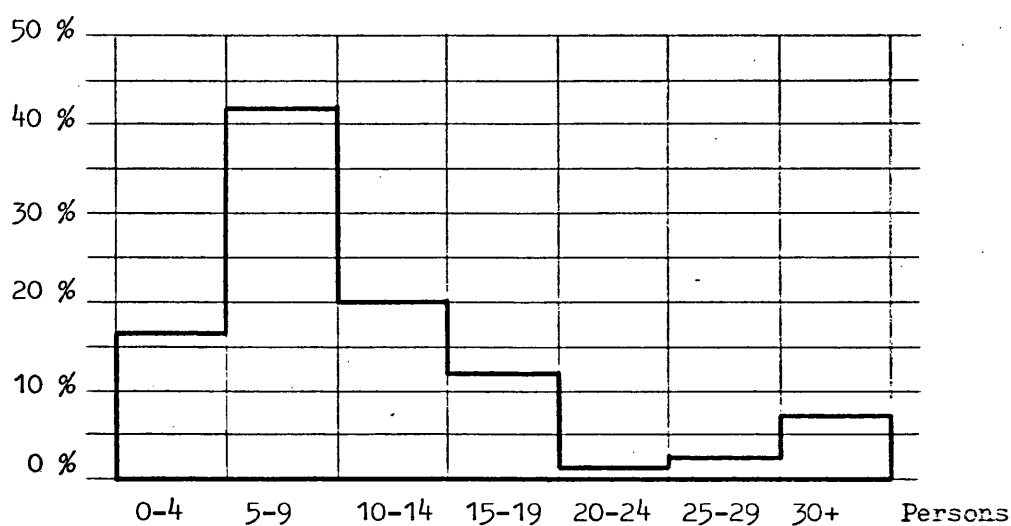
The population distribution of 75 houses surveyed is given below. As is shown in diagram 18.1, nearly three-quarters or 73.3 per cent of the sample houses have populations that range between 5 and 19 persons, the average being 11.9 per house. Of the three largest houses, two with 42 and 67 persons respectively were "tenement-houses" with absentee landlords, while the largest house with a total of 69 inhabitants was a fordcuk.\*\*

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\* For definition of this term see Chapter 4 on page 64.

\*\* For the description of a fondouk see page 289.

DIAGRAM 18.1    Number of Persons per House in Percentages

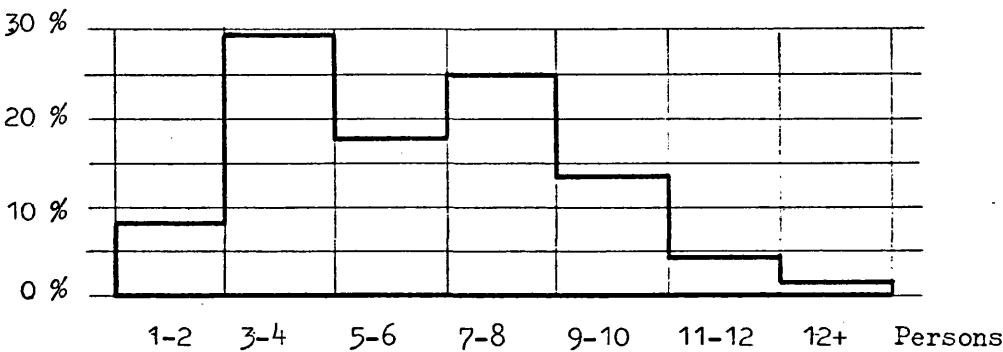


The sizes of the three types of households mentioned above are shown in Diagram 18.2 on page 295 . When compared, diagrams 18.2 A to 18.2 C reveal some interesting patterns. The compound head's household (first diagram) shows the smallest number of 1 to 2 person households (6 or 8.8 per cent), while the majority of these households (72.1 per cent) have between 3 and 8 persons. Over one third of the related dependent or semi-dependent households on the other hand have 3 and 4 persons. As expected, tenant households contain the largest number of households with one or two persons. The average size of households decreases from 6.0 persons in the compound head's household to 4.7 persons in dependent households and 3.7 persons in tenant households. It is interesting to observe that a very similar distribution of households by size and status has already been reported from Ibadan, the only other sample which had a sizeable tenant population.\* It seems that the relatively "young households" among the dependent or semi-dependent households, the lack of cheap and suitable accommodation for tenant households and generally lower incomes of both these categories may be responsible for the smaller size of these households.

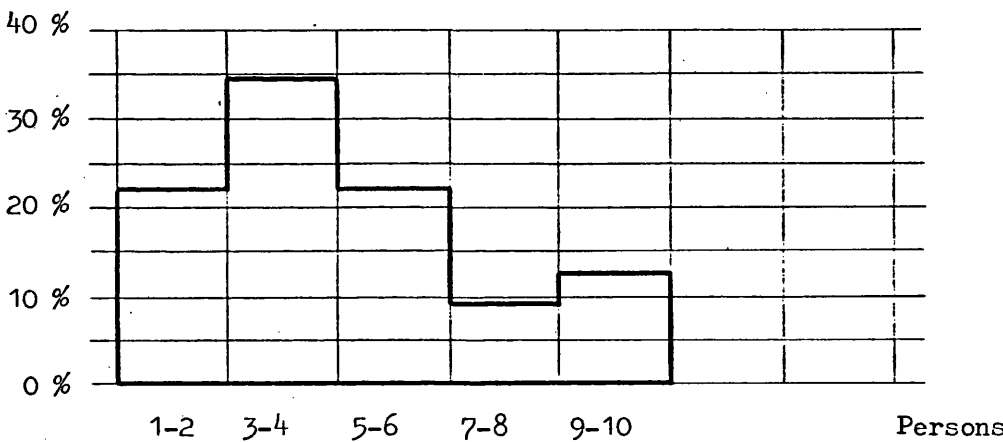
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DIAGRAM 18.2    Number of Persons per Household in Percentages

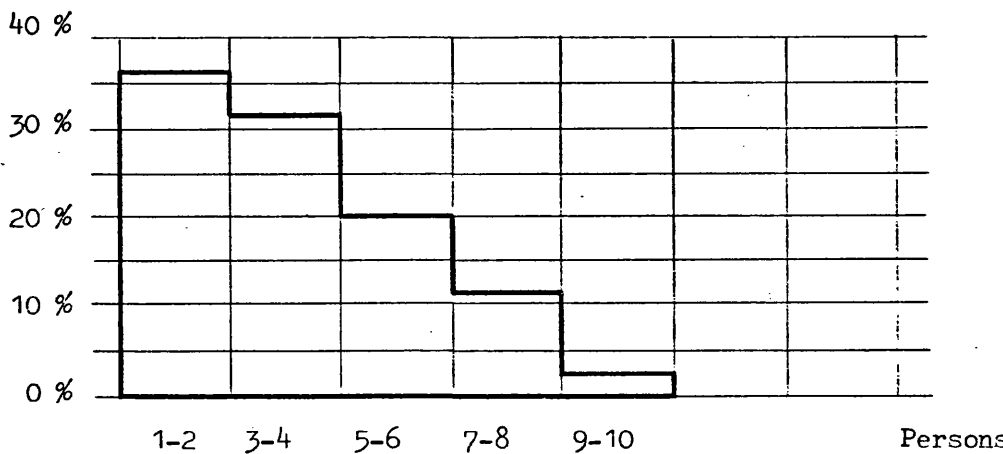
A. Compound Head's Households    (68)



B. Related Dependent or Semi-Dependent Households    (31)



C. Tenant Households    (91)



Although permitted by Muslim law, polygamy is practised infrequently at Marrakech, and did not play an important part in the sample population. Only two of 68 compound heads\* and one of 91 tenant household heads had more than one wife. In all three cases the second wife did not live in the house surveyed. No case of polygamy was found among the related dependent or semi-dependent household heads.

The age and sex distribution as well as the marital status of the sample population is shown on page 297. The bar-chart indicates quite clearly that young persons of both sexes, but particularly females, marry on average at the same age as their counterparts in Ibadan but generally later than in Zaria.\*\* Among the 408 males included in the sample population, 254 or 62.2 per cent were single, 151 or 37.0 per cent were married and 3 or 0.8 per cent were divorced. There were no widowed males among the sample population. On the other hand, the female population of 488 persons was divided into 263 or 54.0 per cent single persons, 156 or 32.0 per cent married and 69 or 14.0 per cent were either divorced or widowed females. (For more detailed information see Tables A.18.2, A.18.3 and A.18.4 on pages 446-7.

As can be seen in Table A.18.4 on page 447, a total of 54 widowed females were found in the sample population. Ten of these women were compound heads, 14 were either mothers of compound heads or mothers of compound heads' wives. Another 13 widowed females were tenant household heads, while 7 females were mothers of unrelated household heads. The remaining 10 females belonged either to the compound head's or to tenant households. Eight out of 15 divorced females included in the table were tenant household heads. The remainder included 1 compound head and several other related kin. Some widows who were no longer able to work were supported by their next of kin, while younger widowed and/or divorced females will most likely leave the house on remarriage.

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\* There were 7 "tenement-houses" without compound heads

\*\* See Chapter 4 on page 69

DIAGRAM 18.3 Survey Sample Population by Sex, Age and Marital Status

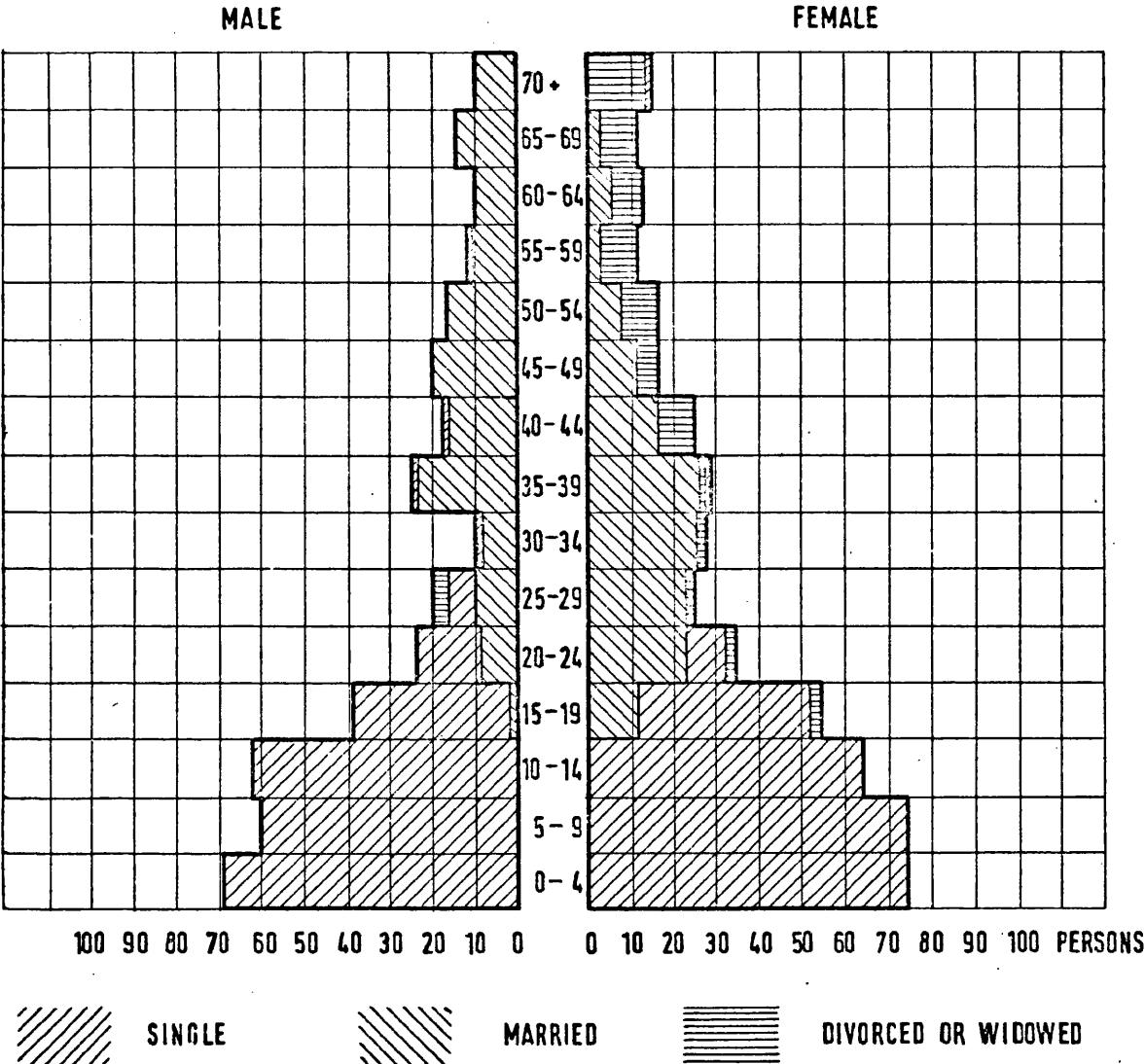


TABLE 18.1 Survey Sample Population by Sex, Age and Marital Status

Age	Male					Femal					G. Total
	Sing	Mar.	Div.	Wid.	Total	Sing	Mar.	Div.	Wid.	Total	
0- 4	69				69	73				73	142
5- 9	60				60	73				73	133
10-14	62				62	64				64	126
15-19	38	1			39	41	11	2		54	93
20-24	14	9			23	9	23	2		34	57
25-29	7	10	3		20	1	23	1		25	45
30-34	1	9			10		26	1	1	28	38
35-39	1	23			24	1	27	1		29	53
40-44	1	17			18		17	2	6	25	43
45-49		20			20		11	1	5	17	37
50-54		17			17		7	3	7	17	34
55-59	1	11			12		3		8	11	23
60-64		10			10		5		7	12	22
65-69		14			14		3		8	11	25
70+		10			10	1		2	12	15	25
Total	254	151	3	-	408	263	156	15	54	488	896



### Family Groupings

Before discussing the various modes of co-residential family groupings found in the 75 houses surveyed, I must briefly refer to some of the earlier findings regarding kinship patterns observed in the sample populations at Ibadan and Zaria. As already mentioned, household data alone are insufficient to explain satisfactorily the various changes which frequently occur in co-residential groups, and some additional kinship data, based on a common reference point - in our case relations with the compound head - are essential. Most changes that effect the structure of co-residential kinship groups are either due to the marriage, migration and/or death of one of its male members, and particularly of the compound head. How such changes may effect the co-residential kinship group and consequently modify the lay-out, size and occupational pattern of courtyard houses will be the subject of the following analysis.

We may recall that in Zaria and Ibadan the survey data clearly showed that most co-residential kinship groups were based on agnatic descent. It could be established that the individual family consisting of a man, his wife or wives and their own unmarried children was the first stage in a development cycle that gave rise to composite co-residential kinship groups. Altogether six such stages were identified, the last being that of a compound which housed paternal cousins and their descendants. However, it must be stressed again that at each stage of development co-residential kinship groups are liable to split into two or more independent units. The most important reasons for such splits were in order of importance: the death of the compound head, the differential economic success of some dependent or semi-dependent household heads, and family quarrels. A preliminary examination of the data collected in Marrakech revealed that the majority of co-residential kinship groups were based on agnatic descent. We may therefore apply a similar mode of analysis as for the kinship data collected in Zaria and Ibadan.

Let us begin with a few remarks about co-residential groups at Marrakech. Although the rule of patrilocal residence by which married daughters go to live with their husband's family is widely practised in Morocco, the survey revealed that not less than 8 compounds, contained the families of the compound head's daughters, as against two in Zaria and none in Ibadan. Investigation of these families suggests that one reason for the daughters' residence in their fathers' house is economic. At 38.8 per cent, the proportion of tenants living in the 75 houses at Marrakech was considerably larger than in Ibadan where they reached only 23.0 per cent of the sample population. As these tenant families generally do not influence the development of the co-residential kinship groups of their compound heads, they are omitted from the following table and will be analysed separately later.

Table 18.2 on page 300 shows the age distribution of the 68 compound heads, grouped according to the composition of their respective co-residential kinship groups. As indicated in the simplified kinship diagrams at the foot of the table, column 1 lists all compound heads responsible only for individual families. Column 2 lists those compound heads whose co-residential kinship groups contained the compound head's family together with the families of his sons and/or daughters; while column 3 contains two paternal full brothers and their unmarried children; and column 4 in the table lists 5 houses whose population had increased by the immigration of 7 related families rather than by natural growth. (See also Table A.18.5 on page 447 ).

These three types of co-residential kinship groups (column 1-3) represent the first three stages in the development of domestic groups based on agnatic kinship and virilocal residence that were discussed in some detail in Chapter 4 on pages 72 - 3 . It is interesting to note that none of the houses surveyed contains composite co-residential kinship groups beyond the third stage when a unit includes paternal full or half

TABLE 18.2 Age of Compound Heads by Stages of Kinship Development

Column	1	2	3	4	5
Stage	1	2	3	Joint Househ.	Total
Age of C.H.					
25-29	1				1
30-34	1			2	3
35-39	7				7
40-44	8	1	1		10
45-49	9	2	1	1	13
50-54	5	1		2	8
55-59	5	1			6
60-64	6	3			9
65-69	4	2			6
70+	2	3			5
No. of C.H.	48	13	2	5	68
No. of H.H.	48	34	5	12	99
No. of Pers	297	172	27	57	553
Av. Househ. per Comp.	1.0	2.6	2.5	2.4	1.5
Av. Pers. per Comp.	6.2	13.2	13.5	11.4	8.1
Av. Pers. per Househ	6.2	5.1	5.4	4.8	5.6
Kinship Diagrams					

brothers and their married children. As expected, the modal age of compound heads in stage 2 are generally greater than their counterparts in stage 1 and 3, an observation already made for the sample population in Ibadan and Zaria.

The centre of the table deserves special attention. It shows clearly that the average number of households per compound increases from one household with an average of 6.2 persons in stage one to 2.6 households having an average total of 13.2 persons in stage two. The average number of persons per household on the other hand decreases from 6.2 persons in stage one to 5.1 persons in stage two. The number of "stage three households" is too small to yield any meaningful averages. Quantitatively speaking, the 68 compound heads interviewed had a total of 38 married sons, of whom only 10 or 26.3 per cent lived in their father's house, and the rest elsewhere. While the number of compound head's married brothers recorded is believed to be incomplete, the total indicates that less than 3.0 per cent lived together in the same house.

The data presented in Table 18.2 indicate that the division of composite co-residential kinship groups normally occurs during their second developmental phase when the compound head's family includes his married children and their descendants. This poses at least two important questions. First, is the process of division which occurs at this relatively early stage due to the lack of suitable space in the rather inflexible urban courtyard house? or, second, does the break-up occur because young dependent household heads regard their father's house as a valuable asset which can be readily turned into cash to provide them with the capital they need to lease, buy or even build their own houses? If the latter suggestion is correct, it would partly explain why there are at Marrakech such a large number of divided courtyard houses owned by unrelated parties. However, in his study of the traditional rural society in Morocco, B.G. Hoffman has shown that patrilineal extended


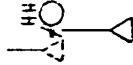

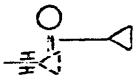

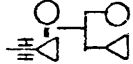
families are most likely to split up when reaching "stage three" in the development of composite co-residential kinship groups,<sup>5/</sup> thus indicating that the pattern of division noted above are not entirely due to conditions which prevail in urban areas. We shall reconsider these questions further after discussing the structure and size of the 91 tenant households which were not included in Table 18.2.

In Table 18.3 on page 303, the 91 tenant households have been divided into four main categories based on kinship organization in order to reveal their internal fabrics and their differences. The first category, column 1-3, has heads who are either single, divorced or widowed, while the second category, column 4, contains female heads whose husbands were absent for more than one month preceding the date of interview. The third category, column 5, consists of couples without resident children, but includes some whose children were away, while the last category, column 6, contains individual families with married and/or unmarried children. As the table shows, 22 or 24.2 per cent of all tenant households consisted either of single, divorced or widowed persons or of females whose husbands were away, while 69 or 75.8 per cent contained childless couples or couples without resident children, and individual families with married and/or unmarried children. Of 91 tenant household heads in these houses 38 or 41.8 per cent were born in Marrakech, while the remaining 53 or 58.2 per cent had immigrated to the city mainly from villages situated in southern Morocco. Furthermore, it is interesting to observe that with a total of 343 members, these 91 tenant households financially supported 25 persons or 7.3 per cent who were either single, divorced and/or widowed relatives of the husbands or his wife's kinship group, and 3 unrelated persons. By comparison, the

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<sup>5/</sup> HOFFMAN, B.G. The Structure of Traditional Moroccan Rural Society The Hague 1967, p. 45. "If this common ancestor (the lineage founder) is still living he heads the extended family and represents it on social and public occasions; if not his place is taken by his elder brother. If this brother dies the extended family splits up into units under each of the other brothers."

TABLE 18.3 Structure of Tenant Households

Column	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Type of H.H.	Sing.	Div.	Wid.	Females with temp. absent Husband	Childless Couples	Individual Fam.	Fem. H.H.	Male H.H.	G. Total	
Age of T.H.H.										
15-19					1	2	3	1	1	
20-24	1	1	1	1	2	7	2	4	7	
25-29						3		7	9	
30-34					1	9		4	4	
35-39					3	7	4	12	12	
40-44		1	2	1	2	5	2	9	13	
45-49		1	1		3	3	1	6	8	
50-54		1			1	4	2	6	7	
55-59			2		3		2	5	7	
60-64					1	8	4	2	2	
65-69			4		2	2	4	9	13	
70+		1	3		2		4	4	8	
							22	69		
No.of Househ.	1	6	13	2	19	50			91	
No.of Persons	1	7	24	4	46	261			343	
Av. Persons per Household	1.0	1.2	1.8	2.0	2.4	5.2			3.8	
Kinship Diagrams										

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compound head's households contained 64 such persons who represented 15.7 per cent of their total population. Table A.18.5 on page 447, reveals yet another interesting feature of these tenant households. In 4 out of 7 "tenement-houses", some tenant families had formed composite co-residential kinship groups either through natural growth or by bringing related families to join them when a room became vacant in the house. This formation of extended kinship groups among tenant families, which was not found in the Ibadan sample, suggests a certain degree of stability as well as the need for mutual help among this group.

Finally, Table 18.4 compares the age distributions of tenant household heads and compound heads. The table shows, that, apart from a slightly larger proportion of younger tenant household heads, these age distributions do not differ markedly.

TABLE 18.4    Age Distribution of Tenant Household Heads and Compound Heads in Percentages

Age Group	15-24	25-39	40-54	55-69	70+	Total	No. of H.H. Heads
Tenant Househ.H.	8.8	27.5	30.7	24.2	8.8	100.0	91
Compound Heads	-	16.2	45.6	30.9	7.3	100.0	68

The age distribution of these tenant household heads and the substantial number of years that most of them have spent in rented accommodations indicate that the renting of rooms in Marrakech is a long-established practice which has helped immigrants and poorer local families to find suitable homes.

#### House and Kinship Organization

In the following pages I apply some conclusions that emerged from the preceding discussion on household and kinship organization to a number of

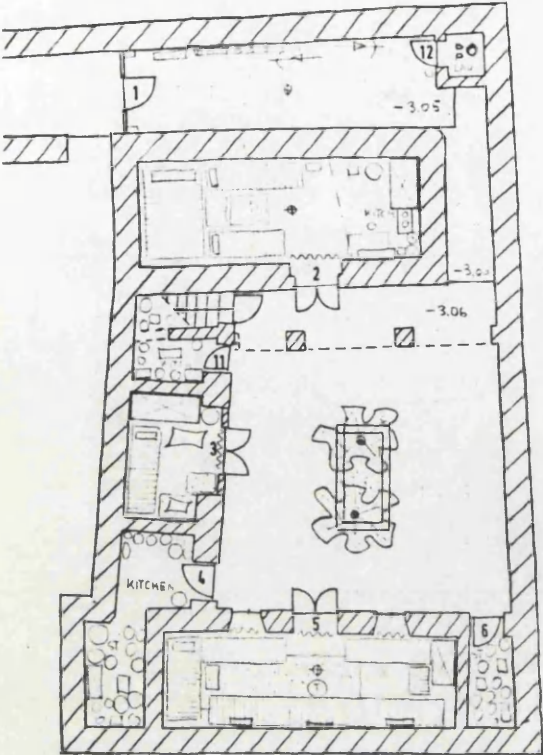
the houses surveyed. Altogether, four case-studies have been chosen from the sample to illustrate the various stages in the development of co-residential kinship groups, their patterns of occupancy, and the modes of transferring real estate.

The first example is a house situated in the northern parts of the medina or walled city. (See Plan 18.4 on page 306). This house was bought for 850,000 Moroccan francs (8,500 dirhams) in 1954 by the father of the present compound head. About three-quarters of the money was raised by selling the old house, which, according to the compound head, had become too small, while the rest was given by the oldest son. Shortly after moving to the house the compound head built a new toilet (room no.10) which has so far remained his only alteration to the house. During the mid-1950's the house contained a kinship group in the second stage of development and had the following pattern of occupancy. The compound head occupied two rooms numbered 8 and 9 on the plan on page 306, while his first born son lived with his wife in room no.7 on the same floor. The head's four unmarried sons shared two rooms on the ground floor until in 1957 when two of them married. The elder of the two already had a bookshop in Gueliz and moved there with his wife, while the younger was given room no.2 on the ground floor. The two remaining sons, one of whom is now married, moved out of the house in the early 1960's. In late 1965, when the compound head suffered a stroke, and was unable to carry out his responsibilities, he asked his first-born son to take over the headship. With this change of its headship the inhabitants of the house entered the third stage of its development as a co-residential kinship group. At the time of my interview in 1969, the young compound head was the only member of the group with a regular income and supported his invalid father and partly his younger brother.

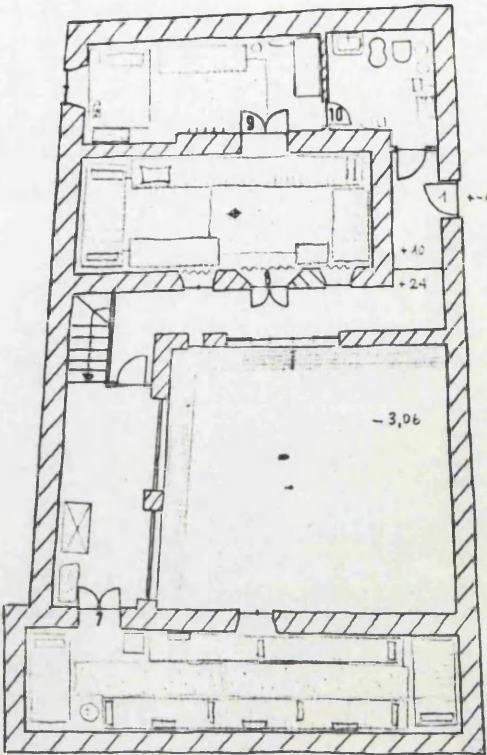


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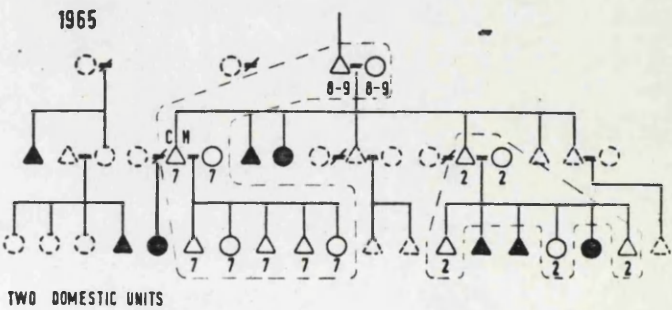
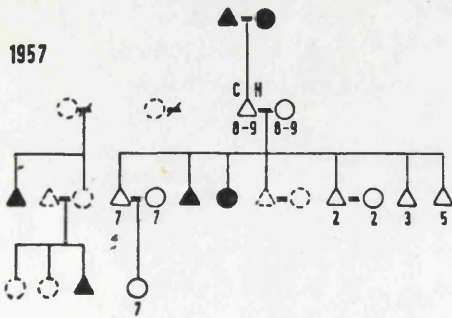
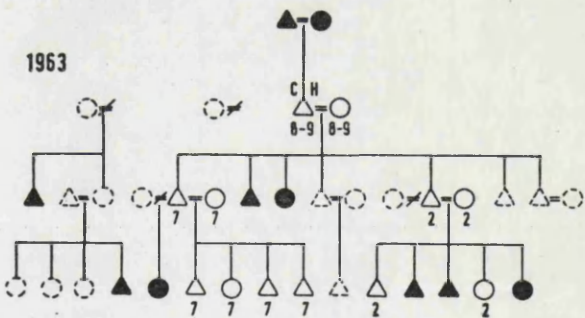
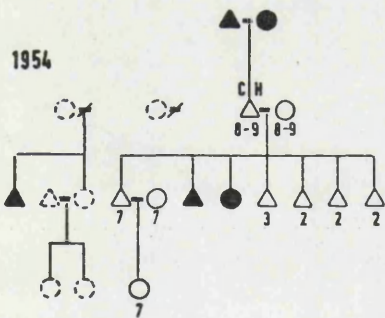
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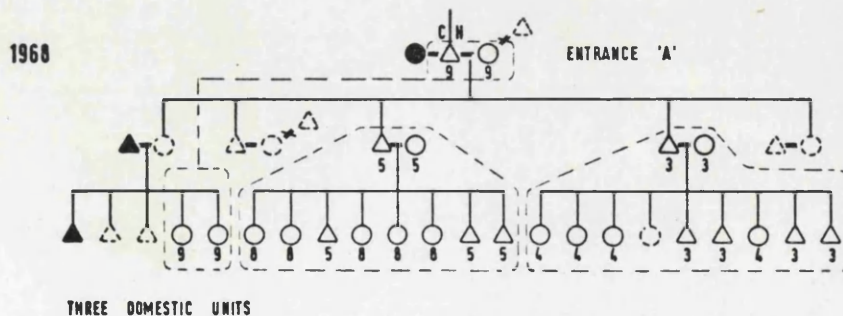
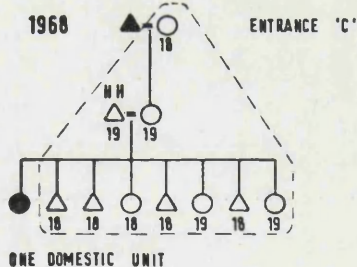
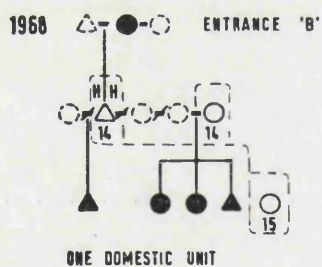
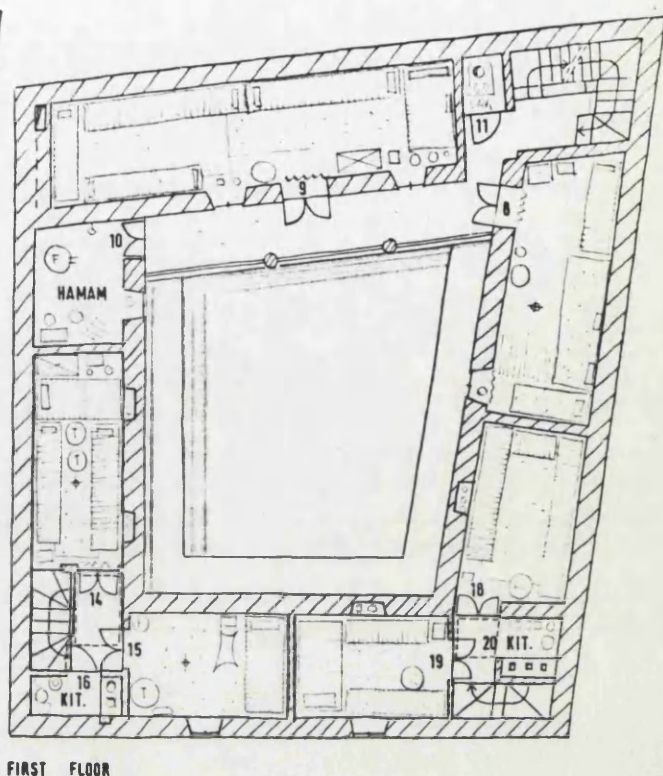
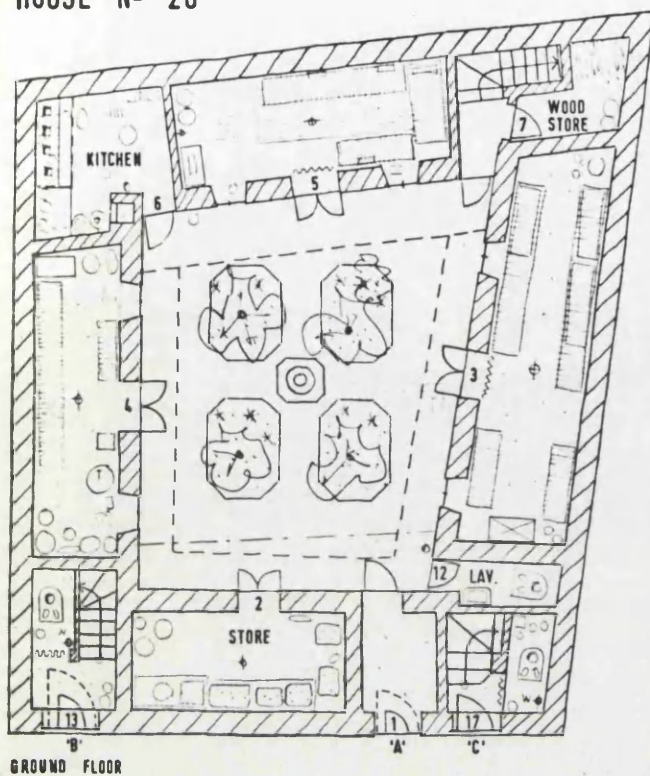
TWO DOMESTIC UNITS

The second example, sketched on page 308, is of some interest because it illustrates a very common mode of dividing a courtyard house into two or more self-contained dwellings and the financial implications of this partition. This house is inhabited by the compound head's family and two of his married sons with their wives and children, as well as two individual tenant families. The present compound head and his younger full brother inherited the house from their father in 1938. After the Second World War, part of the upper floor was converted into two small self-contained dwellings. In 1952 a quarrel between the brothers resulted in the younger one moving out and demanding compensation for his share of the house. Obligated to pay, the compound head sold the two self-contained dwellings, and adding to this his own savings, paid his brother the sum of DH. 5,000. Unfortunately, I did not investigate occupancy pattern of this house between 1938 and 1952, but since the younger brother and his family moved out there seem to be few changes. In 1969 the compound head lived with his wife and two grand-children in room no.9 on the first floor, while his two sons and their families occupied all rooms on the ground floor and room no. 8 on the first floor. The two self-contained dwellings which were sold in 1952 have been rented out to stranger families by their present owner.

The division of houses into two or more self-contained dwellings illustrated by this example represents but one of two methods which are frequently found. The next example on page 309 illustrates the second mode of division, which is achieved by building a dividing wall through the courtyard of the house. The two individual families who now occupy this house are only casual acquaintances. According to the compound head who occupied section "B", his grand-father bought the already divided house shortly after the First World War, and his neighbour bought the other section for DH. 4,300 in 1955. Neither of these two compound heads knew how

PLAN 18.5 House 28

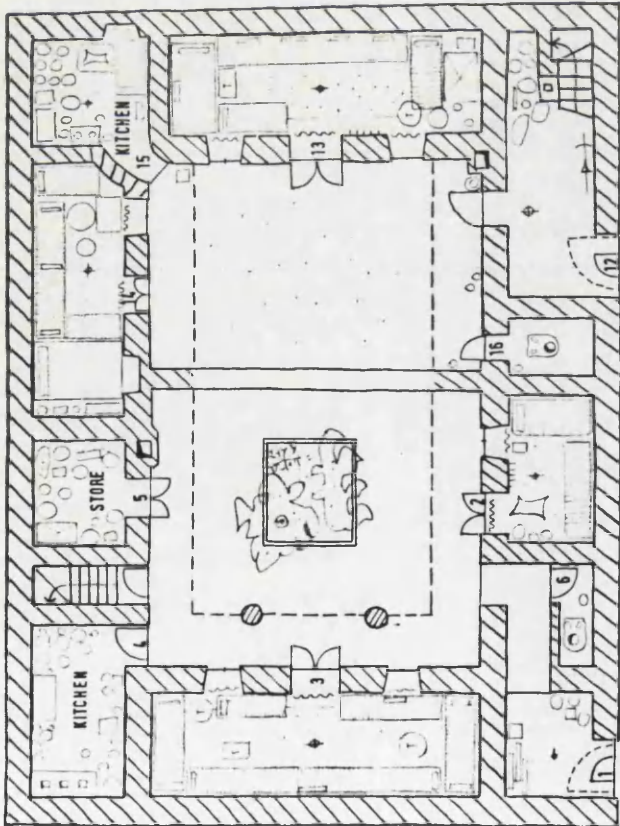
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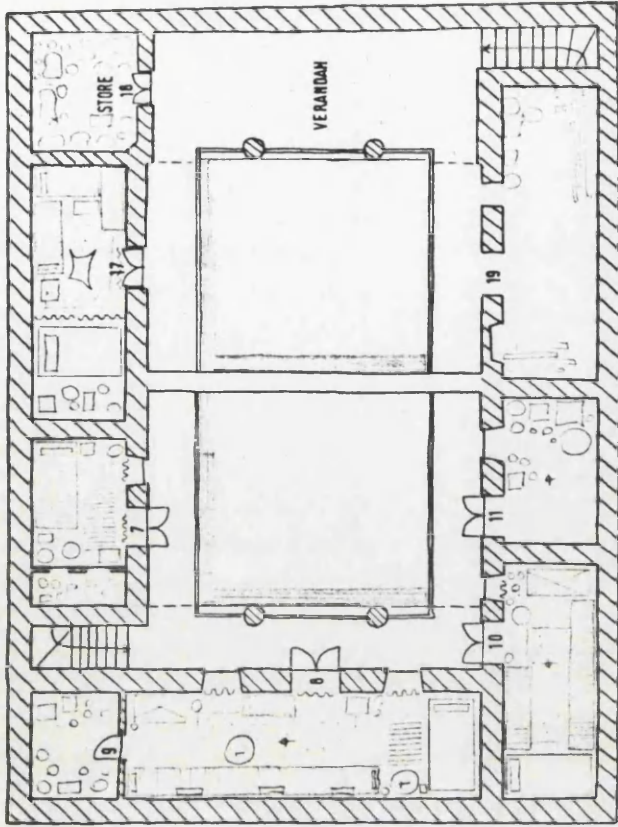


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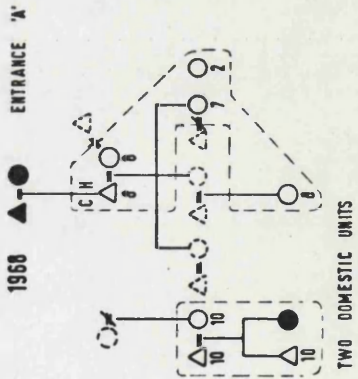
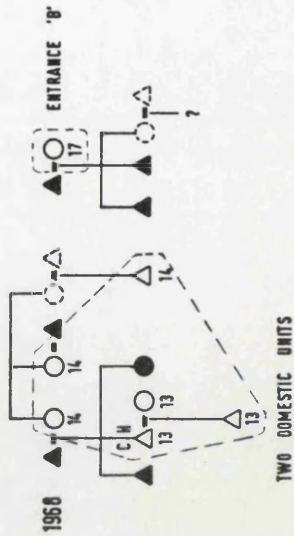
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GROUND FLOOR



FIRST FLOOR



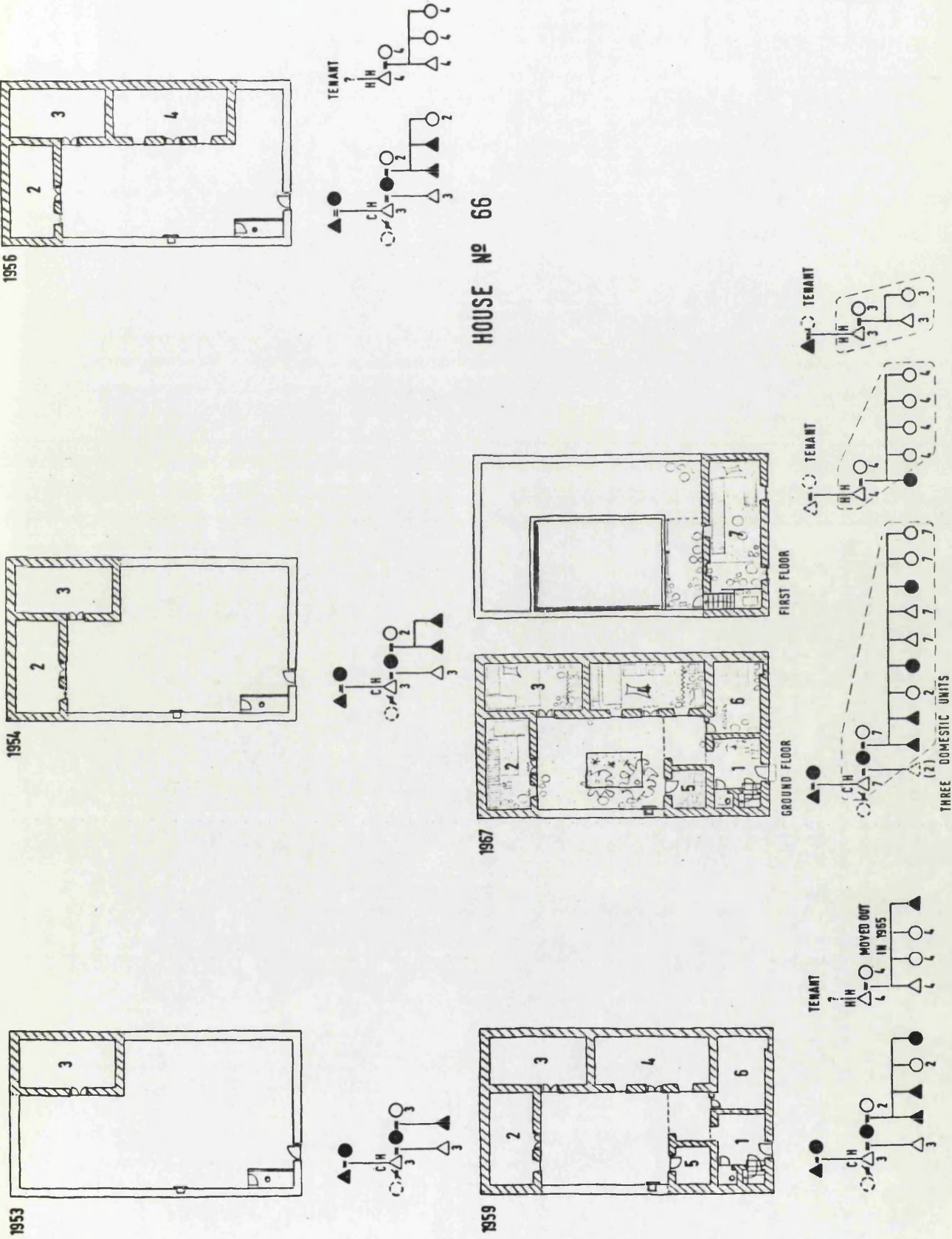
old the house was nor when the dividing wall was built. In both cases the family history and pattern of occupancy before the present compound heads' generation was not studied. The kinship diagrams beneath the house plans show the occupancy patterns of both families in 1969. Although not found among the houses surveyed, Jean Gallotti in her book on "Le Jardin et la Maison Arabes au Maroc" gives an example of two small houses being joined together presumably to cater for the needs of an expanding family.<sup>6/</sup>

The last example on page 311 is situated in the suburb of Sidi Youssef ben Ali which stands just outside the walled city to the south-east. It is one of six houses included in the sample which were built by the present compound head. In 1952, the compound head bought the land for 15,000 Moroccan francs (DH. 150) from a man who claimed to own it. However, this transaction, which was undertaken without exchanging a written contract, proved to be invalid as the whole area then belonged to a well-to-do merchant and had been taken over without his consent by squatters and self-styled property speculators. The compound head, himself a construction worker, built a wall around the plot and completed the first room in the second half of 1953. After moving into the house he built a second room for his wife and completed this a year later. Following a break of about one year in which he repaid at least some of the money he had borrowed, a third room was finished in 1956 and was immediately rented out to a tenant family. A kitchen, an entrance lobby and a store-room took him over two years to build and were completed in 1959. In 1965 the compound head was able to lease one room for a lump sum of DH. 500. This kind of transaction, which is based on a contract asking for no further payment from the tenant but which is repayable to him in full when he leaves the house, has been

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<sup>6/</sup> GALLOTTI, J. op cit., Vol. 1 p. 11

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described in some detail in Chapter 16 on page 265. This loan enabled the compound head to buy some building materials and to start the construction of a large upstairs room which was completed in 1967. On moving into the new room the compound head was able to rent out his old room (number 3 on the plan) for DH. 15.0 per month.

The four examples given above indicate that most houses in Marrakech are regarded as a capital investment made by an individual or a group of individuals who may exchange them for something more suitable if the occasion arises. Hence as shown in the last example the construction of rooms need no longer reflect the requirements of a growing family but may illustrate the owner's ability to invest his money for a profitable return.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF FLOOR AREA

The distribution of the floor area among the sample population has been studied from two points of view; first, the average floor areas per household and person classified by their relationship to the compound head have been calculated, and second, the average floor area per household and person according to the number of persons per household. As already argued in Chapter 11 on page 202 the first approach may tell us something about differential treatment of related and tenant households regarding the allocation of space, while the second approach will indicate the compound head's ability either to buy a bigger house or to adapt already available space for a growing family.

#### Type of Floor Area and Household

The sample of houses surveyed in Marrakech included 190 households with a total of 896 persons. Column 2 and 3 of Table 18.5 on page 313 shows the total average floor area and the average sleeping area available to each household for its members, these households being classified by their

TABLE 18.5 Average Floor Area per Household and Person in sq.m.

Column	1		2		3	
	No. of Househ.	No. of Persons	Total av. Area per Househ.	Area per Person	Av. sleeping Area per Househ.	Area per Person
Compound Head's H.	68	408	85.1	14.2	27.5	4.6
CH's Sons+Daught.H.	18	95	20.2	3.8	14.9	2.8
CH's Brs+Sists H.H.	8	32	21.8	5.4	14.8	3.7
Other Related H.H.	5	18	29.0	8.1	13.4	3.7
Sub-total Dep.H.H.	31	145	22.1	4.7	14.6	3.1
Tenant H.H.	91	343	20.4	5.4	12.6	3.4
Total H.H. + Persons	190	896				
Av. all H.H. + Persons			43.8	9.3	18.3	3.9

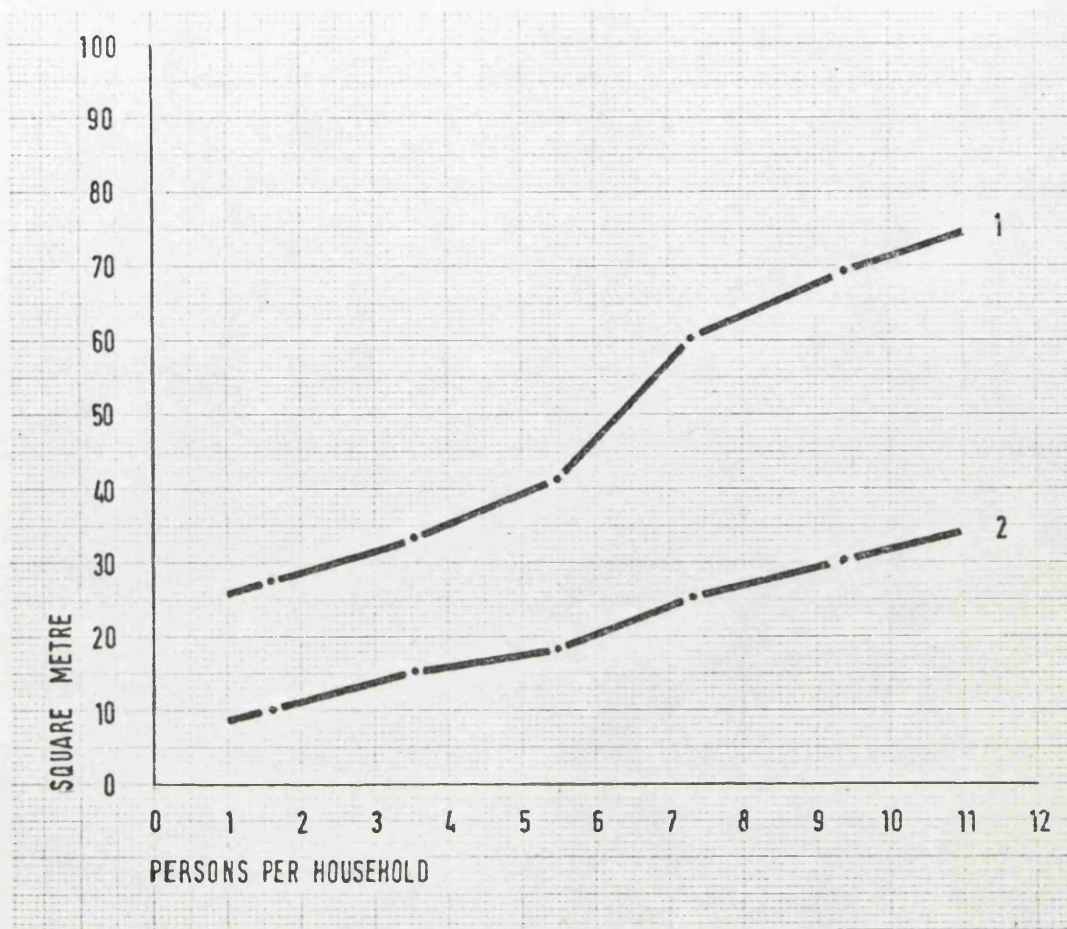


relationship of their heads to the compound head. As shown in the table, there is a substantial difference between the average floor area occupied by the households of compound head's (85.1 sq.m.), and the average floor area of all other related dependent or semi-dependent households (22.1 sq.m.) and tenant households (20.4 sq.m.).

In part these differences are due to the larger average size of the compound head's households with 6.0 persons as against 4.7 and 3.8 persons for all dependent and tenant households respectively. As explained above, the area occupied by the compound head's own household includes all rooms such as entrance lobbies, passages, staircases, common kitchens and stores for which he is directly responsible, even though these rooms are available for use by all other resident households. Hence the average floor area given above may illustrate the different distribution of responsibility among household heads within the house rather more precisely than the allocation of space between the households themselves.

The average sleeping area per person, as shown in column 3 fluctuates between 4.6 sq.m. for members of the compound head's household, 3.1 sq.m. for all other related households and 3.4 sq.m. for tenant households, the average for the sample being 3.9 sq.m. or 42.0 sq.ft. However, the average sleeping area per person in the compound head's household is slightly inflated by the fact that some compound heads have their own sleeping quarters, while most other household heads have to share their bedrooms with others in their family.

The two following graphs on page 315 derive from Table A.18.7 on page 445. The first graph shows the average floor area (curve 1) and average sleeping area (curve 2) per household of differing sizes. As may be seen, the average floor area per household increases from 27.7 sq.m. in households with 1 to 2 persons to 69.3 sq.m. in households having 9 to 10 persons. At the same

GRAPH 18.1 Average Floor and Sleeping Area per Household in sq.m.

Line 1 Average Floor Area    Line 2 Average Sleeping Area

GRAPH 18.2 Average Floor and Sleeping Area per Person in sq.m.

Line 1 Average Floor Area    Line 2 Average Sleeping Area

See Table A.18.7 on page 445.

time the average sleeping area per household also increases from 10.1 sq.m. for households with 1 to 2 persons to 30.6 sq.m. for 9 to 10 person households.

The second graph shows the average floor area per person (curve 1) and the average sleeping area per person (curve 2) in households of differing size. At 17.1 sq.m., the average floor area per person for households of 1 to 2 persons is relatively high when compared with 9.5 sq.m. per person for households of 3 to 4 persons, and 7.4 sq.m. per person for households having 9 to 10 persons. Average sleeping area on the other hand fluctuates between 6.2 sq.m. per person in households with 1 to 2 persons and 3.3 sq.m. per person in households having 9 to 10 persons, the sample average being 3.9 sq.m. It will be noted on graph 18.2 that the average sleeping area per person decreases from c. 6.0 sq.m. in 1 to 2 person households to about 3.0 sq.m. in households of 5 to 6 persons, but remains almost stable for all larger households.

In conclusion, apart from a few very densely populated "tenement-houses" including the fondouk, overcrowding is not worse at Marrakech than at Ibadan. For example, in Marrakech the total average floor area per person was 9.3 sq.m. and the total average sleeping area 3.9 sq.m., while at Ibadan the comparable figures were 7.4 and 3.8 sq.m. respectively. Thus the available floor and sleeping areas per person at Marrakech is very similar to the areas found at Ibadan, and may not be a decisive factor in the early division of co-residential kinship groups as proposed at the beginning of this chapter on page 301. It is also interesting to observe that the high degree of residential mobility of the population is partly illustrated by the reluctance of many a compound head to undertake the major building operations required to enlarge a house, preferring instead to sell it and to buy a more suitable one elsewhere in the city. Furthermore, the

economic value of urban houses and the possibility of compound heads to sell part of it and to give the money to their son or sons has no doubt enabled many of them to leave their father's homes and establish their own independent households elsewhere.

The first part of this chapter deals with occupational patterns and income distribution in Morocco and Marrakech, while the second analyses the data obtained in my survey of 75 houses containing a total of 190 households in the walled city or medina of Marrakech.

### MOROCCO / MARRAKECH

#### Occupational Pattern

According to the 1971 census report about 4.0 million people or 26.3 per cent of the total Moroccan population was classified as belonging to the economically active population.<sup>1/</sup> The division into sexes shows that 3.4 million or 44.5 per cent of the total male population were economically active, while only 0.6 million or 8.0 per cent of the total female population belonged to this group. It is thus obvious that the latter figure does not include an estimated 2.0 million females who are engaged in various kinds of unpaid agricultural and/or crafts activities mainly in the rural areas of the country.

A broad division of the total working population into five major occupational groups revealed that agriculture employed 51.4 per cent of the country's total labour force, followed by crafts and industry with 19.2 per cent, services including professional and administrative staff with 15.2 per cent, and finally miscellaneous occupations and the unemployed with 8.6 per cent in 1971.<sup>2/</sup> The substantial differences between the occupational patterns in the rural and urban areas of the country\* are noteworthy. As expected,

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<sup>1/</sup> SECRÉTARIAT D'ÉTAT AU PLAN ET AU DÉVELOPPEMENT RÉGIONAL, ROYAUME DU MAROC  
Recensement Général de la Population et de l'Habitat 1971 Vol.2  
 "Population Active" Rabat 1973, p. 18

<sup>2/</sup> Ibid. p. 119

\* Urban areas include all towns with 20,000 or more inhabitants.

76.9 per cent of the economically active population in the rural areas work in agriculture, while only 4.7 per cent of the urban population do so. Crafts and industry employ 10.7 per cent of the rural but 34.6 per cent of the urban population. Services including professional and administrative occupations show a similar distribution with 6.0 per cent in the rural areas and 32.2 per cent in the towns. Miscellaneous occupations including the unemployed accounted for 3.9 per cent of the rural and 17.2 per cent of the urban population. (See Table A.19.1 on page 449). The 1971 census report also showed that 37.2 per cent of the country's total labour force were wage and salary earners, 33.6 per cent were self-employed, 18.7 per cent were family workers and 10.5 per cent were not classified.<sup>3/</sup>

As no detailed data for the various occupational groups in the city of Marrakech are available, the table below shows the percentage distribution of the total economic active urban population of Marrakech Province in comparison with the country as a whole.

TABLE 19.1    Percentage Distribution of Occupational Groups in Marrakech<sup>4/</sup>

	Marrakech Prov. Urban Areas	Morocco
Crafts and Industry	39.8	19.2
Services*	27.0	15.2
Trade	13.3	5.6
Agriculture	5.2	51.4
Miscellaneous Occupations	14.7	8.6
Total	100.0	100.0

\* Includes professional, administrative and clerical staff.

<sup>3/</sup> SECRÉTARIAT D'ETAT AU PLAN ET AU DÉVELOPPEMENT RÉGIONAL, ROYAUME DU MAROC  
Recensement Général de la Population et de l'Habitat 1971 op cit., p. 89

<sup>4/</sup> Ibid. pp. 119, 120

The table shows that persons employed in crafts and industry together form 39.8 per cent of the total economically active population in the urban areas of Marrakech Province. They are followed by persons employed in services 27.0 per cent, traders 13.3 per cent, full-time farmers with 5.2 per cent and finally miscellaneous occupations and the unemployed with 14.7 per cent.

### Income

Minimum wage rates have been in operation in Morocco since 1936.<sup>5/</sup> In 1971, the lowest established minimum wage per hour in industry and commerce was DH. 0.544 for females between 14 and 15 years of age, and DH. 0.956 for an adult man.<sup>6/</sup> Since 1960, these minimum wages have been linked to a cost of living index, but wage increases have usually lagged behind the rise of prices. However, actual wages are often above the quoted minimum wages, and there are substantial variations between unskilled and highly skilled workers. Unfortunately, no reliable data for wage and income distribution among Moroccan workers is available except for the late 1950's and early 1960's.<sup>7/</sup> Nevertheless, estimates for the early 1970's suggest that the average monthly income of unskilled and semi-skilled workers in manufacturing industry ranged from DH. 300 to DH. 500, while highly skilled workers, clerks and teachers were earning between DH. 500 and DH. 800 per month.

### Cost of Living

The consumer price index for Casablanca is shown on Table A.19.2 on page 449. Unfortunately no index is available for Marrakech. Column 1 in the

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<sup>5/</sup> ROYAUME DU MAROC Dahir of 18 June 1936

<sup>6/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1972 Rabat 1973, p. 154

<sup>7/</sup> INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE Labour Survey of North Africa Geneva 1960 Appendix II p. 463

LAZRAQ, A. "Le Salaires dans le Revenu National de 1955 à 1966" in Bulletin Economique et Social du Maroc Vol. XXIX No. 106-7 Rabat 1967, pp. 85-139

table gives the general consumer price index, whereas columns 2 to 4 gives separate figures for food including drinks, for clothing and finally for rent, which also contains fuel and lighting as well as the cost of kitchen utensils. As shown in the table the increase of the general index was only 20.6 per cent over the last 10 years (1963-73) which represents a very modest average annual increase of 1.7 per cent.

### SAMPLE SURVEY

#### Occupational Pattern

The occupational pattern and income distribution of the 190 household heads interviewed will be analysed below. The main occupations of these household heads are given in the following table.

TABLE 19.2 Occupational Pattern of 190 Household Heads

Column	1		2		3		4	
Type of Househ.	Compound Head		Dep. H.H.		Ten. H.H.		Total H.H.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Crafts & Industry	20	29.4	12	38.7	39	42.8	71	37.4
Services*	23	33.8	9	29.0	15	16.5	47	24.7
Trade	13	19.1	5	16.1	15	16.5	33	17.4
Agriculture	2	3.0	2	6.5	9	9.9	13	6.8
Miscellaneous	10	14.7	3	9.7	13	14.3	26	13.7
Total	68	100.0	31	100.0	91	100.0	190	100.0

\* Includes professional, administrative and clerical staff.

Among compound heads, the service category, which includes inter alia teachers, as well as professional, administrative and clerical staff, represents the most important group followed by crafts, trade and agriculture. Dependent and tenant household heads on the other hand, worked more frequently



in occupations related to crafts and industry followed by services and trade. The number of interviewed household heads who engaged in full-time agriculture was relatively small. (For comparison with Marrakech Province urban area see Table 19.1 on page 449).

As shown in Table A.19.4 on page 450, 27 or 14.2 per cent of the 190 household heads had some income from a secondary occupation. Twelve of these household heads worked in agriculture, 7 pursued some crafts, and 8 worked in several other occupations.

The following table shows how the household heads included in the survey were employed.

TABLE 19.3    How Household Heads are Employed

Column	1		2		3		4	
Type of Household	Compound Head		Dep. H.H.		Tenant H.H.		Total H.H.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Self-Employed	34	50.0	11	35.5	31	34.1	76	40.0
Empl. by Priv.Sector	13	19.1	6	19.4	45	49.4	64	33.7
Empl. by Publ.Sector	11	16.2	8	25.8	1	1.1	20	10.5
Helps Sen.Fam.Member	-	-	3	9.7	1	1.1	4	2.1
Retired	7	10.3	1	3.2	8	8.8	16	8.4
Miscellaneous	3	4.4	2	6.4	5	5.5	10	5.3
Total	68	100.0	31	100.0	91	100.0	190	100.0

As shown above, 50.0 per cent of the compound heads are self-employed, 19.1 per cent were employed by private firms and 16.2 per cent in the public sector. Slightly over one third of the dependent household heads were self-employed but compared with the compound heads, a larger proportion was employed in the public sector. It is noteworthy that only one of 91 tenant household heads was employed in the public sector, while 45 or 49.4 per cent worked for private firms, and 31 or 34.1 per cent were self-employed. It seems that tenant household heads, 58.2 per cent of whom are immigrants,

had little chance of gaining employment from the local administration, and had to rely on private firms for employment or establish their own businesses.

Finally, the occupation of 240 women\* (156 married, 15 divorced, 54 widowed and 15 single) in the sample population must be briefly discussed. A total of 37 female household heads have already been included in the two previous tables.\*\* Of the remaining 203 females, 119 or 58.6 per cent were housewives with no gainful occupation, 40 or 19.7 per cent practised handicrafts, 24 or 11.8 per cent were in services, 3 engaged in part-time agriculture and one was a beggar. A total of 14 women or 7.9 per cent had retired from active life and were supported by their next of kin. It is interesting to observe that none of the females interviewed were engaged in full-time trade, although 5 women, 3 who embroidered pillow-cases and two who baked bread, also sold their products in the local market.

#### Income Groups

The following division of households into low, middle and high income categories is based on Table 5.6 on page 101 which guided my classification of the sample households in Zaria and Ibadan. In 1971 the official conversion rate was about 14 dirhams to one Nigerian pound.<sup>8/</sup> The converted income groups are given in the table below.

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\* This does not include single female children of household heads or any other female children under the age of 15.

\*\* Fourteen of these women practised crafts, 7 were in services, 5 each were in part-time agriculture and semi-retired, 4 were housewives and 2 were beggars.

<sup>8/</sup> INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE Yearbook of Labour Statistics 1973 Geneva 1974, pp. 762-3

TABLE 19.4 Income Groups

Income per <u>Month</u> in Dirhams			Income per <u>Year</u> in Dirhams	
<u>Low Income Households</u>				
A.	Under	70.0	Under	840.0
B.	70.0 -	139.9	840.0 -	1,679.9
C.	140.0 -	209.9	1,680.0 -	2,519.9
<u>Middle Income Households</u>				
D.	210.0 -	279.9	2,520.0 -	3,359.9
E.	280.0 -	419.9	3,360.0 -	5,049.9
F.	420.0 -	699.9	5,050.0 -	8,399.9
<u>High Income Households</u>				
G.	700.0 -	1,399.9	8,400.0 -	16,799.9
H.	1,400.0 -	2,099.9	16,800.0 -	25,199.9
I.	2,100.0	and over	25,200.0	and over

The upper limit of the low income households (C) was found to be DH. 209.9 per month. As this is just above the minimum wage of DH. 198.85 per month fixed by the Government for an adult unskilled labourer in industry or commerce, it may serve as a convenient boundary between the low and middle income households.<sup>2/</sup> The minimum wage cited above is based on a 52-hour week, but with serious problems of underemployment some labourers may not reach even the minimum level and will thus receive a lower monthly income. Household heads in the middle income group are mainly skilled workers, teachers, administrative and clerical staff, while those in the high income groups are well-to-do traders, successful craftsmen, high-ranking Government officials and managers of private or public industries. (For more detailed description of the occupational groups in these income categories, see Chapter 5, on page 101).

<sup>2/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1972 op cit., p. 154

As explained above, the aim of my budgetary inquiries was to establish the annual cash income of compound heads and that of all other dependent and tenant household heads who lived in the houses surveyed. However, the cash income of women other than female household heads and the cash value of non-monetary transactions such as barter, gifts of agricultural produce or earnings in kind are not included in this account. The incomes and expenditures of household heads were systematically investigated over a period of one year preceding the time of the interview. For purposes of inquiry, income was divided into six major categories; first, income from agriculture; second, from arts and crafts; third, from trade; fourth, from services and professional or clerical occupations; fifth, income from rent and cash gifts; and finally, other financial receipts, including such as unearned incomes. However, before income could be investigated, household heads were asked to give a detailed account of their cash expenditures, a subject on which most were far less reluctant to speak than about their income. In order of importance, the major items of expenditure investigated were: first, expenditure on food and drink; second, on accommodation; third, on clothing; fourth, on transport, firewood and lighting; fifth, help given to relatives and friends; and finally, miscellaneous expenditures such as outlays for religious and public festivals, childbirth, marriages or funerals. To the amount of regular daily, weekly and monthly cash expenditure were added the reported irregular outlays, and only when this balanced within 10 per cent of the household head's reported cash income was the budget accepted as valid for inclusion in data analysed here. This method worked fairly well particularly for the low and middle income households where small sums of money are in constant use and relatively few chances for saving and investment exist. However, in the high income households I had to rely to a far greater extent on the household heads'

willingness to co-operate. It must be stressed yet again that in spite of all precautions taken, it is unlikely that the budgetary data cited below are free from inaccuracies and omissions. Nevertheless they are sufficiently detailed to provide a valuable guide to the levels of cash incomes and expenditures among the household heads interviewed in Marrakech.

Table A.19.3 on page 449 indicates the pattern of household consumption and expenditure in urban areas of Morocco.<sup>10/</sup> The table shows clearly that between 1957 and 1960 food and drinks, accommodation, clothing, fuel and lighting accounted for 83 per cent of the household expenditures in the traditional towns in Morocco. Hence particular attention was paid to these four items together with the financial help given to family members and friends. The table also shows that expenditure on food and drinks decreases from 68 per cent of the total in households with incomes of less than DH. 1,442 per year to 54.1 per cent in households with over DH. 5,977 per year. Clothing on the other hand increases from 4.1 per cent of the total in the lowest to 9.4 per cent in the highest income group.

With these preliminary explanations, I now examine the income distribution of the 190 household heads interviewed in Marrakech. A total of 6 household heads refused to co-operate in this inquiry, while another 11 gave such grossly misleading information regarding their incomes and expenditures that they had to be excluded from the following analysis. Of the remaining 173 household heads, 95 or 54.9 per cent belonged to the low income group with monthly incomes of DH. 209.9 or less; 66 or 38.2 per cent belonged to the middle income group with incomes that ranged between DH. 210.0 and DH. 699.9 per month; and only 12 household heads or 6.9 per cent belonged to the high income group with incomes exceeding DH. 700.0 per month. (For more detailed information see Table A.19.5 and Table A.19.6 on page 451).

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<sup>10/</sup> INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE Household, Income and Expenditure Statistics 1950-64 Geneva 1967, pp. 97, 130

Table A.19.8 on page 451 gives the income distribution for compound heads, dependent and tenant household heads separately. As expected, compound heads have the highest average monthly income, and only 25 per cent of them fell in the low income group, while 57.8 per cent were in the middle and 17.2 per cent in the high income groups. This pattern is followed broadly by dependent or semi-dependent household heads 36 per cent of whom fall in the low income group, and 60 per cent and 4 per cent in the middle and high income groups respectively. By contrast, tenant household heads have an astonishing 83.3 per cent in the low income group, 16.7 per cent in the middle and none in the high income groups.

The income distribution by household size for all households is set out in Table A.19.7 on page 451. This table shows the predominance of small households with 1 to 4 persons in the low income group. However, as the number of persons per household increases, income tends to increase as well. This is clearly illustrated by the diagonal pattern of concentration which holds for households with up to 9 to 10 persons and with incomes of between DH. 210.0 and DH. 699.9 per month. From these points onwards, the few remaining households are scattered so widely that their distribution has uncertain statistical values.

The average per caput income of all households classified according to their size was for households with 1 to 2 persons DH. 102.5 per month, this decreased to DH. 64.6 for households with 3 to 4 persons, and DH. 45.5 per month for households consisting of between 5 and 6 persons. Thereafter the per caput income for households with 7 to 8 persons increased slightly to DH. 53.5 per month and further to DH. 76.8 per month for households with 9 to 10 persons. A similar upwards movement, which has already been observed in Ibadan, reflects to some extent the higher frequency of these larger households under compound heads who have generally higher incomes.

On Graph A.19.1 on page 452 the cumulative income distribution of 173 households are plotted on logarithmic probability paper in order to show first, the relationship of incomes between the three types of households cited above, and second, their median income. The almost straight line of the cumulative income distribution curve for all households indicates a log-normal distribution. All three types of households are distinguished by separate curves that show approximately equal percentage change but differing incomes. Hence the curves representing the income distributions of dependent and tenant household heads, who have generally lower incomes, shift leftwards. The median income for compound heads is DH. 380.0 per month and for dependent and tenant household heads DH. 245.0 and DH. 120.0 per month respectively. However, it must be remembered that part of the higher income of compound heads derives from rent and other financial benefits which are associated with compound headship. Some of this money is spent on improvement and repair of the house as well as on help given to other family members in need.

Finally, on page 452 a Lorenz Curve was constructed from the collected data and illustrates clearly the considerable inequality in distribution of income among the 173 household heads included in this analysis. With a total of 46.1 per cent, the 'area of inequality' is by far the largest calculated so far and shows that about 50 per cent of all households earn only c. 20 per cent of the total recorded average monthly income of about DH. 51,000.

In conclusion, this analysis has shown that about 55 per cent of all household heads had cash incomes of less than DH. 209.9 per month. Despite the country's minimum wage legislation, a considerable number of small family enterprises are either unwilling or unable to pay their workers a minimum wage, and the high level of unemployment and under-employment, particularly in traditional cities such as Marrakech, keeps

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wage demands relatively low. In the two chapters that follow I try to show how household heads with such low incomes can manage to rent, buy, maintain and even improve their houses.



In the first part of this chapter I will examine the range of traditional and modern building materials which are available for the production of houses in Morocco. This is followed by a brief description of the type of construction most frequently found in the medina or walled city of Marrakech. Finally, I intend to analyse some of my data on the age of distribution of rooms, structural changes and basic amenities found in the 75 houses which were included in my survey.

#### MOROCCO: BUILDING MATERIAL AND THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

According to the 1970 industrial survey, the building material industry in Morocco consisted of 61 firms with c. 6,300 employees who produced a wide range of building materials having a value of about DH. 233.3 million in 1970.<sup>1/</sup> Over the last 14 years the building material production index has risen from 100 in 1958 to 139 in 1972, which represents an average annual increase of about 6.4 per cent.<sup>2/</sup> During the present Five-Year-Plan, 1973-77, the industry is expected to increase its annual production by more than 10 per cent.<sup>3/</sup> Morocco has adequate resources of all basic raw materials for the development of its building material industry, with the exception of steel and timber most of which has to be imported. (See Tables A.20.1 and A.20.2 on page 453).

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<sup>1/</sup> BANQUE MAROCAINE DU COMMERCE EXTÉRIEUR (B.M.C.E.) Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations No. 123 Casablanca 1972, pp. 16-17

<sup>2/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1960-72 Rabat 1961-73

<sup>3/</sup> B.M.C.E. Bulletin Bimestriel d'Informations No. 128 Casablanca 1973 p. 13

### Earth and Clay

Locally burned bricks and rammed earth mixed with lime have been used since time immemorial for the construction of walls and ramparts in the walled cities of Morocco. Roof tiles, sanitary porcelain and glass, although widely known in urban areas have only been used in large quantities since the French colonial administration began to construct several new European township areas soon after 1912.

The production of burned bricks and roof tiles has varied considerably during the last decade. For example, in 1960 a total of 119,000 metric tons were produced by the country's brick and tile industry. This amount rose steadily to 138,000 tons in 1963. However, during the following three years the production fell to 90,000 tons in 1966, rising again to an all-time high of 180,000 tons in 1972. Production of fire-proof bricks was in the region of 9,000 tons in 1970.<sup>4/</sup> In the same year, the ceramic industry with 18 firms and about 960 workers produced sanitary porcelain and glazed tiles having a total value of DH. 10.9 million and supplied about half the country's needs, the remainder being imported.<sup>5/</sup>

### Timber and Wood Products

According to the 1972 *Annuaire Statistique du Maroc*, the country's forest area was estimated at 5.2 million hectares or 11.3 per cent of the total land area.<sup>6/</sup> This forest area includes 2.9 million hectares or 55.8

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<sup>4/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC *Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1960-72* op cit., Tables: "Ceramique-Materieux de Construction"

<sup>5/</sup> B.M.C.E. *Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations* No. 123 op cit., pp. 16-17

<sup>6/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC *Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1972* Rabat 1973, p. 56

per cent under broad-leaved trees, 1.5 million hectares or 28.8 per cent under conifers, and 0.8 million hectares or 15.4 per cent of mixed secondary growth.<sup>7/</sup> In 1970 Morocco produced about 97,000 cu.m. of industrial timber\* which represented between 15 and 20 per cent of the country's industrial timber consumption, the rest being imported.\*\* Other information reveals that in 1970 agriculture consumed about 253,000 cu.m. or 43.1 per cent of the available timber mainly for packing material, followed by the construction industry which used 182,000 cu.m. or 31.0 per cent, other industries and artisans taking 73,000 cu.m. or 12.4 per cent,\*\*\* the mining industry 60,000 cu.m. or 10.2 per cent and finally other consumers 18,500 cu.m. or 3.2 per cent.<sup>8/</sup> The annual consumption of fire wood over the last decade has remained almost stable around an average of 1.5 million cu.m. per year.

#### Cement and Cement Products

Over the last 12 years the annual production of cement in Morocco has increased nearly three fold from 580,000 metric tons in 1960 to 1,545,000 tons in 1972.<sup>9/</sup> Imports of cement were restricted to special kinds of cement, and were estimated at 36,000 tons in 1970 or 2.3 per cent of the local production. In 1970 Morocco had five cement plants which employed a total of 1,190 persons. In the same year the gross output of the industry reached DH. 117.1 million. The price of cement on the home-market was then in the region of DH. 90.0 per ton.

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<sup>7/</sup> B.M.C.E. Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations No. 118 "Le Bois au Maroc" Casablanca 1971 p. 3

\* This excludes 160,000 cu.m. of pulp wood

\*\* In 1969, the country's imports of wood and wood-based products were valued at DH. 152.5 million, while its export, consisting mainly of cork and pulp wood, stood at DH. 64.0 million. B.M.C.E. No.118 p. 10

\*\*\* This consisted mainly of high-grade lumber and wood-based panels.

<sup>8/</sup> Ibid. p. 10.

<sup>9/</sup> UNITED NATIONS The Growth of World Industry 1971 Vol. 2 "Commodity Production Data 1962-71" New York 1973, p. 347

Associated industries producing concrete blocks, asbestos-cement sheets and pipes were served by 16 firms. These firms employed a total of 2,830 persons and produced goods valued at DH. 54.4 million in 1970.<sup>10/</sup>

#### Iron and Steel Consumption

The Moroccan iron and steel producing industry is in its infancy. In 1970 the industry produced about 8,000 metric tons of pig-iron and c. 1,000 tons of crude steel for casting.<sup>11/</sup> However, with the recent rapid expansion of the country's industry, an increasing amount of imported steel (some 325,000 tons in 1970) is being re-rolled and processed in Morocco. Over the last decade the annual steel consumption of Morocco has risen from 164,000 tons or 14.0 kg. per caput in 1960 to 334,000 tons or 22.0 kg. per head in 1970.<sup>12/</sup> For comparison the per caput steel consumption for Nigeria was about 12.0 kg. in 1970. Of Morocco's total steel imports of c. 325,000 tons in 1970, an estimated 110,000 tons or about 35.0 per cent was consumed by various branches of the construction industry.<sup>13/</sup>

#### The Construction Industry

As mentioned above, the construction industry of Morocco plays an important part in the economic development of the country. In 1971 the contribution of construction to Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at 1960 factor cost had reached DH. 730 million or 5.1 per cent of the total. In the same year, the contribution of construction to Gross Fixed Capital Formation

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<sup>10/</sup> B.M.C.E. Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations No. 123 op cit., pp. 16-17

<sup>11/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Statistical Yearbook 1972 New York 1973, pp. 304-5

<sup>12/</sup> Ibid. Statistical Yearbook 1963 and 1972 p. 365, p. 539

<sup>13/</sup> Ibid. Yearbook of International Trade Statistics 1969 New York 1971, p. 579. This figure was estimated from the imports of various steel products mainly used by the construction industry. See also table A.20.2 on page . . . . .

(GFCF) was in the region of DH. 1,490 million, divided into public works\* with DH. 900 million or 34.4 per cent of GFCF and residential and non-residential buildings with DH. 590 million or 22.5 per cent of GFCF. Plant, machinery and equipment accounted for DH. 1,130 million or 43.1 per cent of GFCF in 1971. (See Tables A.15.1 and A.15.2 on page 437 and Tables A.15.8 and A.15.9 on page 438). It is a fast growing industry, which, according to the 1971 census report, employed some 171,700 persons\*\* or 4.3 per cent of the country's total active labour-force,<sup>14/</sup> compared with only 65,800 persons or 2.2 per cent of the total active labour-force in 1960.<sup>15/</sup> A breakdown of the industry's labour-force into categories of employment revealed that 138,070 persons or 80.5 per cent were wage and/or salary earners, 26,230 or 15.3 per cent were self-employed, 3,160 or 1.8 per cent were classified as employers, 2,750 or 1.6 per cent were family workers, 250 or 0.1 per cent were apprentices and 1,240 or 0.7 per cent were unclassified.

#### Building Activities

Building activities in Morocco have been estimated from the building permits issued by all the town councils. According to official statistics the issue of building permits for residential and non-residential buildings increased from an estimated 12,300 dwellings with 1.2 million sq.m. in

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\* This includes civil engineering works as well as land, agricultural and mining development.

\*\* This figure includes also workers employed in the building material industry

<sup>14/</sup> SECRÉTARIAT D'ÉTAT AU PLAN, AU DÉVELOPPEMENT RÉGIONAL ET À LA FORMATION DES CADRES ROYAUME DU MAROC Recensement Général de la Population et de l'Habitat 1971 Vol. 2 Serie "S" "Population Active", Rabat 1972, p. 54

<sup>15/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Résultats du Recensement de 1960 Vol. 2 "Population Active" Rabat 1965 p. 412

1962, to 17,200 dwellings with 2.4 million sq.m. in 1972.<sup>16/</sup> (See Table A.20.3 on page 454 ). Between 1962 and 1972 the authority approved a total floor area of 18.9 million sq.m. Of these "habitats Marocain" accounted for 7.3 million sq.m. or 38.8 per cent of the total. This was followed by "immeubles" (apartment buildings) with 5.1 million sq.m. or 27.1 per cent, "villas" and commercial buildings each with 2.6 million sq.m. or 14.1 per cent, administrative buildings with 1.0 million sq.m. or 5.1 per cent, and finally miscellaneous buildings with 0.3 million sq.m. or 0.9 per cent.<sup>17/</sup> The number of dwellings approved between 1962 and 1972 reached 143,700 and represented about 15 per cent of the country's total urban housing stock.<sup>18/</sup>

In spite of increasing Government and private efforts to ease the urban housing shortage, the population living in Morocco's bidonvilles has steadily increased from an estimated 600,000 in 1965<sup>19/</sup> to 940,000 or about 21.5 per cent of the total urban population in 1968.<sup>20/</sup> By 1971, this figure had most likely passed the million and was closer to 25 per cent of the total urban population. Taking the average size of an urban household in Morocco as about 5 persons,<sup>21/</sup> c. 250,000 dwellings may be needed to re-house the inhabitants of bidonvilles. This estimate substantially exceeds the number of dwellings approved between 1962 and 1972. However, this indicates only part of the problem the Government and its housing

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<sup>16/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1962 and 1972 op cit., pp. 99-105 and pp. 79-84. See also Table A.20.3 on page .

<sup>17/</sup> Ibid. Edition 1962 to 1972

<sup>18/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Statistical Yearbook 1972 op cit., p. 752

<sup>19/</sup> NYROP, R.F. et al. Area Handbook for Morocco 1972 Washington 1972, p. 249

<sup>20/</sup> B.M.C.E. Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations No. 117 "Le secteur batiment et travaux publics au Maroc" Casablanca 1971, p. 6

<sup>21/</sup> UNITED NATIONS Statistical Yearbook 1972 op cit., p. 752

agencies have to face. As most financial help from official or other sources is directed towards new housing developments mainly outside the walled cities, precious little money is left for housing improvements in the already overcrowded medinas which face the grim prospect of a steady decline in housing standards.

#### MARRAKECH: TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION

The type and method of construction prevalent in the walled city of Marrakech will be discussed briefly below. The majority of extensions, improvements and maintenance work on houses is still carried out by locally trained craftsmen who mainly use indigenous materials and building techniques, except for the increasing use of cement. Such kinds of building activities are normally not recorded in any Government statistics, and its overall volume is unknown. However, as the more modern type of houses built in the former French township areas and more recently in the northern parts of the city were not investigated, they are therefore not included in the following account.

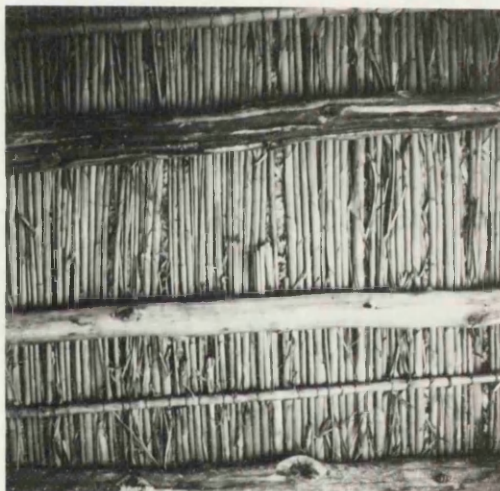
##### Walls

Most houses within the walled city were built either with locally manufactured burned bricks laid in lime mortar, or with rammed earth. The latter method, which is still used today, requires description. Following decision to build a house or room, a sufficient quantity of laterite earth is excavated and brought to the building-site. Here the earth is mixed with lime and wet slightly before being rammed into prepared shutters. (See Picture 20.1 on page 337). It is then left to dry sufficiently in order to carry the load of the next layer, each layer being on average one metre high. This process is repeated until the wall

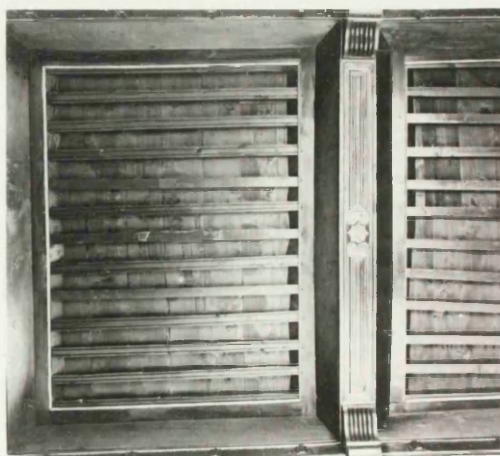
PICTURE 20.1 Construction of  
Mud Wall



PICTURE 20.2 Underside of  
Flat Mud Roof Construction



PICTURE 20.3 Underside of  
Ceiling Constructed of  
Sawnwood





has reached its required height. The thickness of both types of walls (brick and rammed earth) may reach half a metre for a one-storey dwelling and frequently exceeds a metre for a two-storey house. Walls facing the inside of the house are usually rendered with lime, gypsum or cement plaster and whitewashed. In more expensive houses courtyard walls are usually covered with brightly coloured glazed tiles to a height of one and a half metres. Floors are finished with a lime or cement screed and sometimes covered with tiles.

### Roof and Ceilings

The traditional Moroccan town house has a flat roof. As mentioned above, rooms are usually long and narrow, their width seldom exceeding 2.5 metres or about 8 feet. A ceiling or a roof is constructed from beams of forest timber which are laid across the top of the wall at intervals of about 0.30 metre or one foot. These beams are covered first with bamboo and then with grass-matting. (See Picture 20.2 on page 337 ). The wooden roof structure is then covered with about 0.20 m. of mud and finished with several layers of specially prepared lime mortar which keeps the roof reasonably waterproof for at least one year. The underside of roofs are normally plastered, whitewashed and occasionally painted. A more elaborate and expensive roof made from sawnwood can be seen in Picture 20.3 on page 337. However, the last example can only be found in the more expensive houses of the relatively prosperous.

### The Local Building Industry

As no detailed data for the 1971 census is yet available, the only information regarding the local building industry in Marrakech dates back to the 1960 census report. According to this report, an estimated 2,700 persons or 3.6 per cent of the active labour-force were engaged in the

industry. Of these, 95.1 per cent were Moroccan Muslims, 1.9 per cent French, 1.5 per cent Moroccan Jews and 1.5 per cent belonged to various other nationalities.<sup>22/</sup> In the late 1960's it was estimated that the number of persons employed by the building industry had nearly doubled due to the construction of a new suburb in the northern parts of the city.

### SAMPLE SURVEY

Data from the sample survey analysed below include the age distribution of rooms, the structural changes of houses over the five-year period from February 1964 to January 1969, and the distribution of such amenities as kitchens, lavatories, electricity and piped water in the houses under investigation.

#### Age Composition of Rooms

The inquiry into the age distribution of rooms was only partly successful. Despite much effort, I could only establish the age of 79 rooms or 10.2 per cent of the total number of rooms in the 75 houses surveyed. To account for the apparent lack of knowledge among compound heads regarding the age of their houses, we have to go back to Table A.16.1 on page 439. That table shows that a total of 34 houses or 45.3 per cent of the sample were bought by their present inhabitants. Of the 14 inherited houses in the sample, another 10 were purchased by their previous owners, and the history of the remaining four was uncertain. All 6 houses listed under 'others' were also bought by their present owners. The remaining 15 houses were rented by occupants who had no knowledge of their age.\* On this information, it seems likely that most

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<sup>22/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Résultats du Recensement de 1960 Vol. 2 op cit., pp. 300, 344

\* I did not interview the owners of these houses.

of the houses studied had changed hands several times over the last 50 years or so, thus making it virtually impossible to establish their age with reasonable accuracy. However, existing historic records indicate that about 65 per cent of all houses included in my survey were built before 1920, and that nearly 27 per cent were over 100 years old. A total of 6 houses (8 per cent of the sample), having 50 rooms, were constructed by their present compound heads, while another 7 houses were found to which their compound heads had added 29 rooms. The age of these 79 rooms ranged between 1 and 30 years.

#### Structural Changes of Houses

The 75 courtyard houses surveyed contained 776 rooms with a total area of 8,326 sq.m. Between February 1964 and January 1969, when my survey in Marrakech was concluded, only 19 rooms with a total area of 224.4 sq.m. were built by 12 compound heads. Over the five-year period no rooms were destroyed or disintegrated, thus the increase was 19 rooms or 2.5 per cent which yielded an average growth rate of about 0.6 per cent per annum.\* (See Table A.20.4 on page 455). This very slow growth rate reflects the fact that the extension of houses in the tightly packed medina is partly restricted by the lack of space, partly by the structural limitations of existing mud walls, and by lack of adequate financial help, a subject we shall discuss in some detail in the next chapter. Moreover, this minimal increase confirms that major housing developments during the last two decades (1950-70) have taken place in areas beyond the twelfth century city wall, particularly in the suburbs of Sidi Youssef b. Ali and Cité Mohammédia. (For their location see Plan 17.1 on page 277). About three

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\* The population of the medina grew from 180,000 in 1951 to 208,000 in 1971. This represents an average annual increase of 0.7 per cent over the last 20 years.

quarters of the 19 rooms built between 1964 and 1969 were constructed from locally manufactured burned bricks, the rest were built with cement blocks.

### Amenities

The existence of basic amenities in the houses surveyed will be examined below. Kitchens were found in 73 houses that accommodated 150 households. Of these, 42 households, mostly those of the compound heads had their own private kitchens, while the remaining 108 households shared 44 kitchens, yielding an average of one kitchen to 2.4 households. The remaining 40 households or 21 per cent who lived in the two biggest tenement houses surveyed had no kitchen at all and cooked their meals on verandahs or other covered places in front of their rooms.

A total of only 11 bathrooms shared by 20 households was counted in 9 houses. Members of the remaining 170 households or 89.5 per cent in 66 houses used either the toilet, the courtyard or their rooms for personal washing.

All houses surveyed had at least one toilet. A total of 52 households, mainly the households of compound heads, had their own private toilet, while 98 households had to share a toilet with other people. The worst situation was found in the two tenement houses where 16 households with 67 persons and 24 households with 69 persons respectively had to share two tiny toilets, one in each house. (See Plan 18.3 on page 290).

Electricity had been installed in 69 houses; but of the 175 households living in these houses, only 131 had at least one electric bulb in their rooms, while 59 households or 31 per cent of the total had no electricity supply at all.

Finally, 37 houses containing 72 households had piped water in their courtyards, kitchens or toilets, whereas 118 households or 62.1 per cent in 38 houses used a public stand-pipe in one of the streets nearby.

In short, 21 per cent of all households surveyed had no kitchen at all, 31 per cent had no electric light, 62.1 per cent had to fetch water from public stand-pipes, and 89.5 per cent of all households had no bathrooms of their own. (For official statistics see Table A.20.5 on page 455 ).

In spite of such lack of basic amenities most compound heads had other problems to worry about. When asked: "What improvement do you think the house most needs?", a total of 18 compound heads or 24 per cent replied spontaneously that the repair of leaking roofs and damage done by rain water to ceilings and walls was most urgently needed. There were also constant complaints about rising damp in walls due to the lack of any damp course. Connected with this problem were the answers of 5 compound heads or 6.7 per cent who felt that a proper drainage system in the courtyard connecting their pit-latrines to the municipal sewage system would help to get rid of the damp in the house. Thus nearly one third of the compound heads interviewed were seriously concerned about leaking roofs and damp conditions in their houses. As my survey was carried out in winter, this indicates a serious recurrent problem, particularly common in traditional urban houses.

In reply to this question, another 15 compound heads or 20 per cent said they needed more living and sleeping rooms for their families. Another 4 compound heads or 5.3 per cent wanted to sell their houses to buy larger ones, while 2 or 2.7 per cent thought it would be better to demolish the house and build a new and bigger one on the site. Thus 21 compound heads or 28 per cent needed more rooms, though their approaches to this objective varied greatly.

A third group of 12 compound heads or 16 per cent wanted to improve their houses either by decorating the courtyards and rooms with glazed tiles or by plastering and painting the whole or part of the house.

The need for piped water in the house was felt by 7 compound heads or 9.3 per cent, while another 7 compound heads made various other suggestions, including two who said they needed a bathroom. Of the remaining 5 compound heads 4 were satisfied, while one did not respond. (For more detailed information see Table A.20.6 on page 455).

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Due to pagination error, page 344 is omitted.

The aim of this chapter is to analyse the costs of building and the financing of modern and traditional private houses in Morocco and Marrakech. The chapter, which is divided into two parts, deals in the first with the costs of construction and the most important institutions which finance and/or build modern houses in the urban areas of Morocco, while the second part concentrates on data obtained from my survey of 75 conventional urban houses in the walled city or medina of Marrakech.

#### MOROCCO: GENERAL LEVEL OF HOUSE-BUILDING COST

As expected, the cost of construction in Morocco varies widely and depends not only on the location of the building, the type of materials and the technique of construction used, but also on the complexity of the design and on the status of the client. While some information regarding the construction costs of Government-built modern houses is available, the costs of privately built conventional houses, and particularly for those in the walled cities, have never been systematically collected.

In the late 1960's the construction costs of one-storey houses built by the Government varied between DH. 200.0 and DH. 400.0 per sq.m., while apartment buildings (immeubles) ranged from DH. 600.0 per sq.m. for an average dwelling to as much as DH. 900.0 per sq.m. for a luxury flat. Villas on the other hand ranged from DH. 450.0 per sq.m. to over DH. 1,000.0 per sq.m., depending on the design and the use of expensive imported building materials.<sup>1/</sup>

In the early 1960's about 2,000 one-storey houses measuring 6 x 8 m. (48.0 sq.m.) were built by the Ministère des Travaux Public in the northern

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<sup>1/</sup> BANQUE MAROCAINE DU COMMERCE EXTÉRIEUR (B.M.C.E.) Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations No. 117 "Le secteur bâtiment et travaux publics au Maroc" Casablanca 1971 p. 21

parts of Marrakech. These houses consisted of one room (13.0 sq.m.), a toilet (1.0 sq.m.) and an enclosed courtyard. There were provisions for one additional room (16.2 sq.m.) to be added later on demand. (See Plan 21.1 on page 456). These houses were constructed with a pre-fabricated concrete frame filled with cement blocks. The roofs were assembled from pre-fabricated concrete elements. The internal walls were rendered with cement plaster while floors had a cement finish. All doors and the glazed window frames were made from sawnwood. Each house was connected to the municipal sewage system and had piped water as well as electricity. The total cost of these houses was around DH. 3,000 or about DH. 210 per sq.m. of floor area, and they were rented at a very modest sum of DH. 15.0 per month.<sup>2/</sup>

A breakdown of cost by element of building revealed that the structure of these houses consisting of foundations, walls and the roof accounted for about 55 per cent of the total cost, sanitary and electrical installations for 15 per cent, doors and windows for c. 8 per cent and finishes for 22 per cent. A breakdown of cost by element of cost showed that roughly 60 per cent were spent on materials, 30 per cent on labour and slightly less than 10 per cent on overheads including the architect's fee.

#### The Financing of Modern Houses

As already mentioned in Chapter 7 on page 126, the financing of modern houses derive from two broad sources. First, the public sector including all direct and indirect Government actions to provide or finance housing; and second, the private sector. However, it must be

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<sup>2/</sup> MINISTÈRE DES TRAVAUX PUBLICS CIRCONSCRIPTION DE L'URBANISME ET DE L'HABITAT, ARRONDISSEMENT T.P. MARRAKECH Marrakech Résorption des Bidonvilles Promotion Nationale Marrakech 1964, unpublished report p. 33



stressed that the financing of modern houses is not directly comparable with the financing of traditional buildings discussed in the second part of this chapter. This is partly due to the reluctance of the Government and its various housing agencies to get involved in the construction and improvement of traditional urban houses. Nevertheless it may be useful to mention at least some of the most important institutions which help to finance modern houses in Morocco.

### The State

According to the Annuaire Statistique du Maroc, the estimated contribution of the public and private sectors to the financing of housing during the ten years from 1962-72 was as follows.

TABLE 21.1    The Financing of Buildings from 1962-72<sup>3/</sup>

Sectors	Million DH.	Per Cent
<u>Private Sector</u>		
Private Capital	2,879.2	74.9
Private Societies	515.8	13.4
Sub-total Private Sector	3,395.0	88.3
<u>Public Sector</u>		
Service de l'Habitat	60.5	1.6
Other Administrations	314.9	8.2
Mixed Societies*	30.4	0.8
Others	43.2	1.1
Sub-total Public Sector**	449.0	11.7
Grand Total	3,844.0	100.0

\* Societies with Government participation

\*\* This sum includes an unknown amount of private money

<sup>3/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1962-72 op cit. These figures are based on authorized building construction and give only a very rough indication of the expenditure on buildings.

While the table above does not provide a clear-cut division between the public and private sector, it indicates the overwhelming predominance of the private sector in housing finance. However, it should be noted that the involvement of the state in all levels of housing finance is far more important than appears at first sight, since various loans, mortgages and grants listed as private capital in the table are partly Governmental in origin. It has been estimated that the Government's financial contribution was most likely between 15 and 20 per cent of the total investment in housing during the ten-year period from 1962-72.

Under the present Five-Year Plan from 1973-7 the Government intends to construct 262,000 urban dwellings at an estimated cost of DH. 1,125 million. The Government's budgetary contribution to this programme will be in the region of DH. 327 million or about 29 per cent of the total cost. This represents a substantial increase of Government help for the housing sector and stems from the realization that far too little has been done in the past to ease the urban housing shortage.

The following table outlines the Government's financial help to the housing sector during the present Five-Year-Plan.

The table reveals that the Government's contribution increases sharply from 4.7 per cent of the total investment for houses built by persons with incomes above DH. 350 per month, to 20 per cent for persons with incomes between DH. 175.0 and DH. 350.0 per month, 63.9 per cent for persons earning between DH. 80.0 and DH. 175.0 per month, and finally to 66.7 per cent for persons receiving less than DH. 80.0 per month. As members of this last income group clearly cannot afford to build their own houses, the Government, through the Ministère des Travaux Publics, has been building on average between 2,000 and 2,500 dwellings per year for them. The majority of these dwellings are situated in urban areas of the country and are available for rental at about 6 per cent of their cost.

TABLE 21.2 Investment Plan in Housing 1973-77<sup>4/</sup>

Column	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Nº OF DWELLINGS	Investments in Million DH.				
		REPAYABLE	NON-REPAYABLE	TOTAL INVESTMENT	GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTION	% OF GOV. CONTRIBUTION
Pers.with income above DH.350 p.month. Money is raised in open market, Gov. may prov. land and services.	120,000	492.7	24.2	516.9	24.2	4.7
Income betw.DH.175-DH.350 p.month. Gov.loans repayable over 20 years. Low interest rate.	70,000	264.9	6.4	271.3	54.3	20.0
Income betw.DH.80-DH.175 p.month. Gov.grants and favourable loans. Low interest rate.	60,000	133.2	79.8	213.0	136.1	63.9
Pers.with income - DH.80 p.month. Rented accommodation provided by Gov. at low rent.	12,000	30.0	3.9	33.9	22.6	66.7
Environment	-	87.0	2.7	89.7	89.7	100.0
Total	262,000	1,007.8	117.0	1,124.8	326.9*	29.1

\* Includes DH. 148.1 million ear-marked for land and land development

In 1962 the Government embarked on a programme to improve the sanitary conditions in Moroccan towns. Under this scheme the housing section of the Ministère des Travaux Publics constructed one-room houses equipped with all necessary services and left it to the tenant to add further rooms as the need arose. By the beginning of 1965 a total of 6,500 units were completed under this scheme.

During the 1960's the Government took the initiative in developing building plots equipped with all necessary services such as roads, water supply, sewage system and electricity. Over 1,000 such plots were developed

<sup>4/</sup> B.M.C.E. Bulletin Bimestriel d'Informations No. 128 Casablanca 1973, pp. 42-3

and leased or sold at modest prices to individuals and housing societies during 1966 and 1967 alone.

#### Other Housing Agencies

The financial contribution of various private and semi-private building societies (Sociétés immobilières), housing corporation and co-operative societies over the last 10 years was in the region of DH. 550.0 million or about 15 per cent of the total investment in the housing sector. Unfortunately I did not carry out a detailed study of their contribution to the housing sector.

#### Banking

As we have seen, the Government either finances housing directly through the Ministère des Travaux Publics, or indirectly through various banking institutions which advance loans and mortgages to industry, commerce, building societies and to private house-builders.\*

One of the most important Government-sponsored credit schemes for the private and public housing sector alike is the "Crédit Immobilier et Hôtelier" (C.I.H.). Under this programme, the bank finances between 60 and 75 per cent of the estimated construction cost, by loans repayable within 10 years at an annual interest rate of 8.75 per cent. In 1970, of 494 mortgage applications for a total of DH. 46.6 million were registered, an increase of 45 per cent on the previous year, 442 mortgages were approved and a total sum of DH. 36.9 million paid to the applicants. An estimated 70 per cent of these mortgages were used to construct houses that cost less than DH. 150,000.<sup>5/</sup>

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\* The Caisse de Dépôt et de Gestion, Crédit Immobilier et Hôtelier and the Caisse Marocaine des Marchés finance the bulk of the housing construction in the country.

<sup>5/</sup> B.M.C.E. Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations No. 117 op cit., p. 11

The Banque Populaire, with the help of the Government, advanced mortgages for persons with incomes not exceeding DH. 1,000.0 per month. These mortgages cover between 80 and 90 per cent of the construction costs and are repayable within 15 years at a modest interest rate of 4 per cent per annum. In 1970, the bank advanced a total sum of DH. 20.4 million to finance private houses. Until December 1970 the bank had raised DH. 296.0 million for loans and mortgages and had financed the construction of some 11,710 dwellings.<sup>6/</sup>

### Insurance

The first modern insurance companies in Morocco were established by the French soon after the occupation of 1912. After independence in 1956, an effort by the Ministry of Finance to consolidate the insurance business brought the number of companies down from 191 (17 Moroccan, 174 foreign) with a total premium income of DH. 187.2 million in 1962, to 28 companies (12 Moroccan, 16 foreign) with a total premium income of DH. 389.3 million in 1972.<sup>7/</sup>

With their substantial reserves, insurance companies could play an important role in the development of the public and private housing sector. Alas, detailed information shows that of their technical reserves\* which amounted to DH. 153.1 million in 1967, about DH. 8.5 million or 5.6 per cent were invested in buildings and these were mainly office buildings, while only DH. 0.4 million or 0.3 per cent had been loaned on first mortgages for house-buyers. The remaining DH. 144.2 million were invested in state loans,

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<sup>6/</sup> B.M.C.E. Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations No. 117 op cit., p. 11

<sup>7/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1962 & 1972 p. 181 and p. 136

\* The capital of insurance companies derives from three sources: first, the capital and initial operating funds of all exploitations, second liquid reserves and profits, and third, reserves necessary to meet their obligations towards the assured and the beneficiaries of their policies called technical reserves. Of these latter reserves, about 50 per cent must be invested in Government-guaranteed securities while the rest may be invested in mortgages and other loans.

treasury and development bonds, other loans guaranteed by the Government and some shares. (See Table A.21.1 on page 457).

Of the total accumulated assets of the 28 insurance companies which amounted to DH. 660.0 million in December 1967, roughly 60 per cent were tied up in domestic loans, 20 per cent were held in cash and bank accounts, 17 per cent were invested in buildings and 3 per cent in quoted shares.<sup>8/</sup>

#### MARRAKECH: SAMPLE SURVEY

In the second part of this chapter I shall discuss some aspects of the expenditure on and the financing of conventional urban houses in Marrakech. The analysis is based on my survey of 75 houses in that city. The period over which the costs of construction and improvements were studied extended for five years from the beginning of February 1964 to the end of January 1969; whereas my study on maintenance and repair costs was limited to the three years immediately preceding the date of the interview. However, before going into these matters, the cost of building materials and labour must be briefly discussed.

#### The Cost of Material and Labour

Over the five-year period from 1964 to 1968 the index of costs of building material in Morocco rose from 143 to 168\* or about 4.1 per cent per annum. A number of basic building materials such as cement and steel bars did not increase during the period under study, and the price of burned bricks actually fell from DH. 160.0 per thousand in 1964 to DH. 150.0 in 1968. On the other hand, the cost of plaster increased from DH. 65.0 per ton to DH. 70.0, and the cost of cedar wood also rose from DH. 350.0

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<sup>8/</sup> B.M.C.E. Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations No. 93 Casablanca 1969, pp. 7-8

\* 100 = 1958

per cu.m. to DH. 361.0 per cu.m.<sup>9/</sup> In Marrakech the price of timber beams normally used for the construction of ceilings and roofs fluctuated between DH. 1.5 and DH. 2.0 per beam, depending on the quality and length.

In 1968, daily wages paid to building workers ranged from DH. 5.0 for unskilled labourers to DH. 10.0 and more for skilled builders. Usually, labourers and some builders were paid daily, while the client provided all necessary building materials.

### The Cost of Building

As shown in the following list, expenditures on building made by the compound heads and other household heads in my sample, covers a wide range of activities and have been divided into five major groups.

- Cost of Construction completed between 1964 and 1969;
- cost of buildings still under construction on January 31st 1969;
- cost of improvements;
- cost of maintenance and repair; and
- cost of such miscellaneous construction as wells and pit-latrines.

Table 21.3 on page 354 shows that of about DH. 94,300 the adjusted total expenditure on buildings by these men, 41.7 per cent was spent on improvements of existing buildings, 24.8 per cent on maintenance and repair, 24.7 per cent on new construction, and 8.8 per cent on buildings still under construction at the time of interview.

### Cost of Construction

During the five-year period from 1964-9 only 19 rooms having a total floor area of 224.4 sq.m. were built in 7 out of 75 houses surveyed. (See Table A.21.2 on page 457). The recorded cost of construction for

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<sup>9/</sup> SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1964-1968 op cit., Table "Indices de la Production Industrielle"

TABLE 21.3 Cost of Construction in 75 Surveyed Houses 1964-1969

Column	1	2	3	4	5
	No. of Rooms	sq.m.	Cost in DH.	Cost per sq.m.	Per cent
<u>New Construction (Completed)</u>					
Living area, Common and Commercial rooms	17	217.3	22,755	104.7	
Basic Ancillary Facilities	2	7.1	567		
Sub-Total	19	224.4	23,322		24.7
<u>Improvements on Existing Buildings</u>					
Walls and Floor Tiles (Glazed)			13,005		
Cement Plaster on Walls			4,011		
Piped Water Installed			2,785		
Link with Mun. Sewage System			2,755		
Cement Screed on Floors			2,459		
Electricity Installed			1,443		
Other Structural Improvements			12,820		
Sub-Total			39,278		41.7
<u>Maintenance and Repair</u>					
Repair on Roofs					
Painting					
Repair on Walls					
Repair on Cement Plaster					
Repair on Doors and Windows					
Other Repairs					
Sub-Total (1964-69, Actual)			14,050		
Sub-Total Adjusted 1964-69 <sup>+</sup>			23,417		24.8
<u>Buildings under Construction</u>					
Wallse completed	2	34.2	800	23.4	
Roof Completed	4	87.1	7,450	85.5	
Sub-Total	6	121.3	8,250		8.8
<u>Miscellaneous Construction</u>					
	-	-	-		-
Grand Total			94,267		100.0

<sup>+</sup>  $\frac{14,050}{3} \times 5 = 23,417$  Dirhams



these rooms was about DH. 23,300 or 24.7 per cent of the total expenditure on buildings. The average cost per sq.m. is DH. 104.7 for 17 comparable living, sleeping and commercially used rooms having a total floor area of 217.3 sq.m. None of the houses surveyed had been built entirely during the period under study, and only two had major extension added to them.\* In the remaining 5 houses only a few rooms - not more than two at a time - were built between 1964-9. Given this small number of new rooms, as well as the different mode of constructing these rooms,\*\* no attempt was made to calculate the cost by element of building, nor the cost by element of cost. Tentative comparison of my data with those for houses built by the Ministère des Travaux Publics in the northern parts of the city, indicate that the Government-built houses were on average about twice as expensive as those under investigation.

Only 6 rooms with a total area of 121.3 sq.m. were under construction at the time of interview. The 4 compound heads who had undertaken these constructions paid DH. 8,250 which represents 8.8 per cent of the total expenditure on buildings.

#### Cost of Improvements

The cost of improvements which covers inter alia the installation of piped water and electricity supply as well as the tiling and cementing of walls and floors amounted to DH. 39,300 or 41.7 per cent and was the most important item of expenditure. Compared with expenditures on improvements in Zaria and Ibadan, only in the Marrakech sample does the cost of improvements surpass expenditures on new construction. This may be explained

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\* By 'major', I mean extensions of more than 50 per cent of the original floor area

\*\* Two rooms were built by one compound head who was also a builder, 6 rooms by the brother of a compound head, and the rest were either constructed with the help of relatives or by local craftsmen.

partly by the lack of space at Marrakech and partly by the mode of existing construction in the tightly packed medina which often makes it impossible to extend a house.\* Hence too, the frequent sale of old houses in order to buy more suitable ones. The newly bought houses are then improved according to the compound heads' financial ability.

More detailed data on these improvement expenditures reveal that DH. 13,000 or 33.1 per cent of the total was spent on glazed tiles, DH. 4,100 or 10.2 per cent on the rendering of walls with cement plaster, 7.1 and 7 per cent respectively for the installation of piped water and sewage channels, 6.3 per cent on new cement screeds in rooms and courtyards, 3.7 per cent on electricity supplies, and finally DH. 12,800 or 32.6 per cent on various other structural improvements.

#### Cost of Maintenance and Repair

At DH. 23,400 the costs of maintenance and repair was 24.8 per cent of the total building expenditure, and its second largest item. However, the cost of maintenance and repair was only collected for a three-year period preceding the date of the interview. This time-limit was necessary as most compound heads could not remember accurately their expenditures on this head beyond the three-year period. Nevertheless, the detailed annual data collected on this topic shows clearly the recurrent tendency of this kind of expenditure, and enabled me to adjust the costs of maintenance and repair to cover the five-year period of study. Nonetheless, it must be borne in mind that the costs for this item is rather difficult to check; and in doing so I accepted the compound head's statement on these counts after comparing his annual expenditure for each item with those of others. Any apparent discrepancy was discussed with the informant and corrected as necessary.

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\* Old mud walls are often not designed to carry the load of another floor.

For more detailed analysis I have broken down the total actual maintenance cost of DH. 14,000 into 6 categories as shown in the following table.

TABLE 21.4 Actual Maintenance Cost by Element of Building 1966-9

Element of Building	Dirhams	Per Cent
Repair to Roof	4,434	31.5
Painting and Whitewash	3,596	25.6
Repair to Walls	3,075	21.9
Repair to Cement Plaster and Screed	1,993	14.2
Repair to Doors and Windows	615	4.4
Miscellaneous Repairs	337	2.4
Total	14,050	100.0

The table shows that repairs on the roof absorbed nearly one third of the total maintenance cost, followed by painting and/or whitewash with 25.6 per cent, repairs to walls, 21.9 per cent, and cement screeds and plaster, 14.2 per cent, while outlays for repairs to doors and windows and for miscellaneous items was 4.4 and 2.4 per cent respectively. It is of interest, that maintenance work on roofs was carried out most frequently and usually involved only relatively small sums of money. However, if neglected for any length of time, the roof structure tends to deteriorate quickly and its replacement is usually expensive. Damage to walls including the plaster was in the majority of cases caused by rising damp and leaking roofs which occurs periodically during the winter months.

#### The Financing of Private Houses

The financing of private houses has been divided into two sections: first, finance for the purchase of old houses; and second, finance for the various building activities described above.

### The Purchase of Houses

During the five years from 1964-9 13 houses or 17.3 per cent of the sample were bought by their present owners. In value, these houses ranged from DH. 3,150 for a one-storey house of 4 rooms to DH. 32,000 for a two-storey house with 14 rooms. How, one may ask, was the money raised to pay for these houses? Seven compound heads raised the money by selling an old house. However, 3 of these compound heads had to borrow additional money from close relatives to pay for the bigger and more expensive house. Another 3 compound heads sold some animals and received financial help from relatives; 2 compound heads saved for 5 to 8 years before purchasing the house; and one compound head refused to reply to this question. It is of interest that all the compound heads who required additional funds to meet the cost of the new house turned for such help to their next of kin. The only compound head who received a Government grant of DH. 2,500 towards building cost\* used about half of it to purchase a house for DH. 7,000.0, while spending the rest on various improvements. (See Table A.21.3 on page 457 ).

### Financing of Building Activities

On the previous pages I have examined in some detail the type and cost of various building activities carried out in 75 houses surveyed. I now wish to show how these building activities were financed by the compound heads concerned. As indicated at the beginning of this chapter, the two main sources of funds for housing are personal and institutional.

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\* The compound head is a teacher in primary education with a monthly income of DH. 530.0

### Personal Sources

Personal sources of funds to finance the building activities outlined above include self-finance from personal savings and income, contributions from family members and friends, loans from private money lenders and such social security funds as pensions and/or gratuity. Contributions from family members and friends are further sub-divided into gifts and loans.

During the five-year period from 1964-9, loans totalling DH. 10,900 were made by private persons to 12 compound heads who used the money as follows: 8 loans having a total of DH. 5,600 were spent on various improvements; 4 loans totalling DH. 4,100 paid for new construction; and one loan of DH. 1,200 was used to pay for urgent maintenance and repair work. The creditors of these loans were in order of importance as shown below.

TABLE 21.5    Type of Creditors of Private Building Loans

	No. of Loans	Dirhams	Per Cent
Personal Friends of Comp. Head	7	7,200	66.0
Close Relatives of Comp. Head	2	1,600	14.7
Contract with Tenants*	2	1,000	9.2
Credit from Craftsmen	1	750	6.9
Private Money Lender	1	350	3.2
Total	13	10,900	100.0

\* See Chapter 16 page 265.

There was only one recorded gift of DH. 2,000 by a father to his son who used the money to pay for various improvements on the house. It is noteworthy, that of 13 loans, only 2 with a total value of DH. 1,600 or 14.7 per cent were advanced by relatives of the compound head, while the rest came from unrelated persons. At the time of interview about half of these loans had been repaid. Information on the amount of interest rate charged for loans received from friends was difficult to obtain as most compound

heads were rather evasive on this point. However, interest rates charged by private money lenders are known to be high, between 30 and 50 per cent per annum; but the compound head who had received such a loan refused to comment.

The 13 loans listed above covered about 17.6 per cent of the total costs for new construction, 14.3 per cent of the expenditure on improvements and 5.1 per cent on the outlays for maintenance and repair. The rest of these expenditures, amounting to DH. 83,370 or about 88 per cent, was met either from the compound heads' personal savings and income, by gifts from close relatives some DH. 2,000 and from institutional sources discussed below.

#### Institutional Sources

Institutional sources of funds for housing include all building loans and grants made directly by the Government through its Ministère des Travaux Publics or indirectly through the various Government-sponsored agencies, the banks and/or state-owned industries to their employees.

From 1964 to 1969 two compound heads received building loans from institutional sources totalling DH. 5,000. These loans were used for the following building activities: one loan of DH. 2,000 was for the construction of two additional rooms, another of DH. 3,000 for the improvement of an existing building. The creditors of these loans were in order of importance:

TABLE 21.6    Type of Creditors of Institutional Building Loans

	No. of Loans	DH.	Years	Interest Rate
Electricity Board to Employee	1	3,000	5	3.0
Food Prod. Industry to Employee	1	2,000	4	3.0
Total	2	5,000		

One Government grant of DH. 2,500 was given to a primary school teacher who used about half of it to purchase a house and the other half for housing improvements. These two loans together with the above mentioned grant covered about 8.6 per cent of the total expenditure on new construction and 10.8 per cent of the money was spent on improvements.

In short, between 1964 and 1969, a total of c. DH. 94,300 was spent by 75 compound heads on new construction, improvements and maintenance of their houses. Slightly less than 80 per cent of this money came from the personal savings and income of the compound heads. Nearly 14 per cent came from loans and gifts made by family members, friends and one money-lender, while the rest, or 6 per cent, came from official loans and grants. (For more detailed information see Table A.21.4 on page 458). It is noteworthy that official loans and mortgages for the purchase of 'second hand houses' were conspicuously absent in my survey.

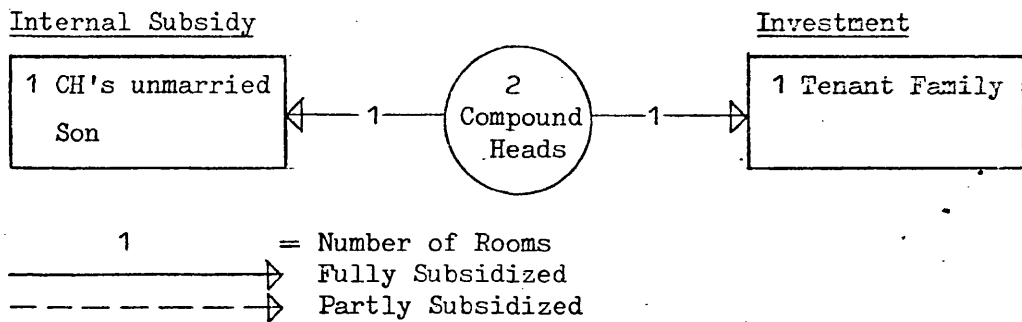
#### Internal Subsidy and Investment

Thus far we have examined the financial help given by official agencies and private persons living outside the houses surveyed to assist compound heads either to build additional rooms or to improve and maintain their houses. In the following pages I discuss internal subsidies and investment, by which I mean funds used to provide new or improved rooms either for close relatives who live inside the houses surveyed or for tenants. As internal subsidy, I include help given by the compound head to his newly-married son or daughter or to any other married, divorced or widowed family member in need of shelter, while expenditures on new or improved rooms for renting are listed as investment.

Under these terms, of the 19 rooms built between 1964 and 1969 one was fully subsidized and given to his son by a compound head, while another

room was rented to a tenant family. The following diagram illustrates the main characteristics of internal subsidy and investment on new construction made by these two compound heads during the last five years from 1964-9.

DIAGRAM 21.1    Distribution of Internal Subsidy and Investment



As shown in the diagram one room costing DH. 1,470 was fully financed by the compound head and given to his son who was expecting to marry, while a second room costing about DH. 900 was rented to a tenant family after completion.

Improvements to 4 rooms that cost about DH. 850 were carried out by two compound heads. Two of these rooms were given to the compound head's daughter and her family, while the other two were rented to a stranger's family.

To conclude, in the first part of this chapter it was shown that private capital dominated the modern housing sector in Morocco. The Government through its Ministère des Travaux Publics and other agencies has contributed an estimated 15 to 20 per cent of all housing investments in the form of loans, mortgages and grants over the last 10 years from 1962 to 1972. During the present Five-Year Plan, the Government has undertaken to increase its contribution to nearly 30 per cent. This increase is designed to benefit particularly the middle and low income groups in the country. Private and semi-private building societies and corporations have



contributed about 15 per cent to the housing sector, while the rest came either from personal incomes and savings of compound heads or from loans made by private persons and commercial banks.

My survey of 75 traditional houses in the walled city of Marrakech has revealed that of the total of DH. 94,300 spent on new construction, improvements and maintenance during a period of five years, DH. 6,250 or 6.6 per cent was in the form of Government loans and grants, DH. 12,900 or 13.7 per cent in the form of private loans and gifts, while the rest, amounting to 79.7 per cent, derived from private savings and incomes of the compound heads concerned. During the five-year period under study, only 19 rooms were built by 7 compound heads in the sample. Preliminary data indicate that the cost of construction for these rooms was in the region of DH. 105.0 per sq.m., which is about one half the costs of the modern "low cost houses" built by the Ministère des Travaux Publics in the northern parts of the city.

In preceding chapters I have analysed the survey data collected at Zaria, Ibadan and Marrakech independently. In this chapter I intend first to compare some of my data collected in these towns and second to summarize the conclusion that emerged from this research.

We may recall that the aim of this study was to investigate traditional urban housing in three different pre-industrial Muslim African cultures, and to determine the relationship between the size and composition of co-residential kinship groups and the type and lay-out of houses. It was also intended to find out how these houses were built, maintained, transferred and financed.

#### Economic Condition: Nigeria/Morocco

At least three quarters of the population in Nigeria and about half of that in Morocco work on the land. In Nigeria, agriculture accounts for about 50 per cent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Until 1968 agricultural produce generated more than half of the country's overseas export earnings followed by crude petroleum, metal ore and timber. However, in 1970 export of crude oil overtook agricultural produce, and reached nearly 75 per cent of the country's total export earnings in 1971. In Morocco, agriculture accounted for about 28 per cent of GDP and provided slightly less than half of overseas export earnings in 1971. This was followed by minerals mainly phosphate and manufactured products. Over the last decade 1960-70, the GDP increased by about 40 per cent in Nigeria and nearly doubled in Morocco. The contribution of construction to GDP averaged 4.6 per cent in Nigeria and 4.5 per cent in Morocco over the period 1960 to 1970. The percentage contribution of construction to Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF) averaged 54 per cent in Nigeria and about 65 per cent in Morocco over the same period. Residential and non-residential buildings together accounted for one quarter to one third of GFCF in Nigeria and Morocco. However, a

large volume of traditional houses is constructed in urban and rural areas of both countries outside the monetary sector and never occurs in their national economic accounts.

#### Growth of Population: Towns

By the early 1970's Zaria had an estimated population of about 120,000, Ibadan had over one million inhabitants and Marrakech 333,000. Over the last two decades, 1950-70, the population of Zaria increased by about 2.5 per cent per annum, Ibadan by over 3 per cent and Marrakech by 2.2 per cent. The population of the walled cities in Zaria and Marrakech on the other hand, had a much lower growth rate and increased by only 1.4 per cent and 0.7 per cent per annum respectively during this period.

#### Type of Buildings

In Chapter 4, 11 and 18 I briefly described the traditional types of urban houses most frequently found in the three cities under investigation. On the following page I will summarize some of the most salient features of these houses.

In Zaria the lay-out and organization of compounds with several courtyards surrounded by high mud walls was designed to provide a high degree of security and privacy for the compound head and his wife or wives, many of whom were living in complete or partial seclusion. Normally, each adult member of the compound has his own room or rooms which are usually abandoned after his or her death and in many cases are allowed to collapse. Each new generation of compound heads usually rebuilds part of their compounds according to the need of their families and dependents.

In Ibadan most houses consist of a double row of rooms which open onto a central hall or passage way. Doors and windows are usually open at day-time to allow for some cross-ventilation essential for the comfort of its

inhabitants in this warm and humid climate. Women are not restricted by "purdah" and play active parts in the economic life of the city.

At Marrakech the most common house type is the two-storey central courtyard house. All rooms in these houses open onto the central courtyard or garden. This house type is well adapted to the hot and dry summer months, needs comparatively little space, and provides a high degree of privacy and seclusion even in such a densely populated place as the medina of Marrakech.

. All houses included in my survey were constructed with locally manufactured building materials except for corrugated iron sheets used as roofing material in Ibadan, and all building was carried out by locally trained labourers with the help of family members or small indigenous building contractors.

#### Composition of Domestic Groups

Throughout this study the units of analysis are the occupants of a house or compound divided into households. As units of domestic economy, households consist of all related or unrelated persons who occupy a common domicile, eat together for most of the year and who contribute in kind, labour and/or money to the household budget. However, as data on household composition alone are insufficient to explain the growth and decline of co-residential kinship groups, all persons living within a house or compound were classified for analysis by their relationship to the compound head. This procedure enabled me to discern and trace the cyclical tendency which regulates the development of co-residential agnatic groups. As we have seen, the individual family consisting of a man, his wife or wives, and their unmarried children is the first and simplest stage in a development cycle which often gives rise to composite

co-residential kinship groups. Altogether six stages in the developmental cycle of such domestic groups were identified, the last being that of a compound which housed paternal first cousins and their descendants.

However, it must be remembered that at any stage these groups are liable to constant changes due either to the marriage and death of one of their male members, particularly the compound head, or to the emigration of dependent households caused by differential economic success, the lack of space, and tension or disagreements among these households.

Table 22.1 on page 368 compares differences in percentage distributions of households related to the compound heads that illustrated each of these developmental stages in the samples at Zaria, Ibadan and Marrakech. It is of interest that domestic groups at the first two stages of development, i.e., the compound head with his wife or wives and their own unmarried and married children respectively, accounted for only 18.1 per cent of all households surveyed at Ibadan, while at Marrakech the corresponding figure was 82.8 per cent. It is obvious that at Marrakech kinship groups split at an early stage, with only 5.1 per cent of all households found in houses with kinship groups at stage 3, whereas at Ibadan large co-residential kinship groups are the norm and account for 69 per cent of all households interviewed. The population surveyed at Zaria lies somewhat between these two extremes, with 32.2 per cent of all related households in the first two stages of the developmental cycle, and 58.9 per cent of the sample households in stages 3 to 6.

Households related to the compound head which had joined their compounds of residence in recent years accounted for 8.9 per cent in Zaria, 12.9 per cent in Ibadan and 12.1 per cent in Marrakech. These households were listed separately because their immigration into their host compounds neither influences nor contributes to the natural development of

**TABLE 22.1** Related Households by Stages of Development in Percentages

	No. of Household	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4-5	Stage 6	Joint HH	Total
ZARIA	180	17.2	15.0	22.8	34.4	1.7	8.9	100.0
IBADAN	171	11.1	7.0	25.7	22.2	21.1	12.9	100.0
MARRAKECH	99	48.5	34.3	5.1	-	-	12.1	100.0

**TABLE 22.2** Total Floor Area and Area of New Construction Built between 1963-69

	ZARIA			IBADAN			MARRAKECH		
	Total m <sup>2</sup> in 1968	Built 1963-8	% of T.Area	Total m <sup>2</sup> in 1968	Built 1963-8	% of T.Area	Total m <sup>2</sup> in 1969	Built 1964-9	% of T.Area
Floor Area	10,473.4	1,772.5	16.9	9,522.3	575.1	6.0	8,326.0	224.4	2.7

**TABLE 22.3** Type of Building Expenditure in Percentage

	ZARIA	IBADAN	MARRAKECH
Cost of New Construction	44.4	48.5	24.7
Cost of Improvements	27.7	22.1	41.7
Cost of Repair	23.6	26.3	24.8
" of Build. Under Constr.	2.4	-	8.8
Cost of Misc. Constructions	1.9	3.1	-
Total Percentage	100.0	100.0	100.0

**TABLE 22.4** Average Area per Persons in sq.m.

Type of Household	ZARIA			IBADAN			MARRAKECH		
	Comp.H.	Dep.H.H.		Comp.H.	Dep.H.H.	Ten.H.H.	Comp.H.	Dep.H.H.	Ten.H.H.
Average Sleeping Area in m <sup>2</sup>	4.8	3.9		4.7	3.0	3.6	4.6	3.1	3.4
Total Av. Floor Area in m <sup>2</sup>	12.8	5.9		12.7	4.2	4.8	14.2	4.7	5.4

**TABLE 22.5** The Use of Floor Area in Percentage

	ZARIA	IBADAN	MARRAKECH
Living Area	67.6	83.6	70.9
Commonly Used Rooms	16.1	5.7	15.3
Basic Ancillary Facilities	12.5	7.6	12.3
Commercially Used Rooms	3.8	3.1	1.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

**TABLE 22.6** Distribution of Income in Percentage

	ZARIA			IBADAN			MARRAKECH		
	Comp.H.	Dep.H.H.		Comp.H.	Dep.H.H.	Ten.H.H.	Comp.H.	Dep.H.H.	Ten.H.H.
Low Income Group *	53.2	85.8		32.8	63.6	58.7	25.0	36.0	83.3
Middle Income Group **	41.6	14.2		50.1	36.4	39.1	57.8	60.0	16.7
High Income Group ***	5.2	-		17.1	-	2.2	17.2	4.0	-
Total	100.0	100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

\* Under sh. 300 or DH. 210 per month    \*\* Under sh. 1,000 or DH. 700 per month    \*\*\* Over sh. 1,000 or DH. 700 per month

**TABLE 22.7** Source of Housing Funds in Percentage

	ZARIA	IBADAN	MARRAKECH
Comp.H. Pers. Income	83.9	93.8	79.7
Loans + Gifts from Family	14.4	6.2	13.7
Loans + Grants f. Institut.	1.7	-	6.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

co-residential kinship groups.

We may now ask why domestic families divide at a relatively early stage at Marrakech and much later if at all in Zaria and Ibadan? To what extent does the lay-out and structure of the house or compound, the mode of land tenure and differing incomes of dependent household heads, to cite only some important factors, impede or promote the division of co-residential kinship groups in the three samples? I will examine these questions in the light of my survey data and with the additional historic, social and economic background information given earlier on.

However, before pursuing these questions, we should briefly discuss the 226 unrelated households included in the three surveys. Of these, 215 or 95.1 per cent paid a weekly or monthly rent for their room or rooms. Together these households accounted for one third of the total sample of households. As they do not belong to the kinship group of the compound head, they were listed and analysed separately. The differing incidence of these unrelated households in the three samples is noteworthy. At Zaria, only 5.8 per cent of all households surveyed were unrelated, while at Ibadan and Marrakech these figures rose to 42 per cent and 47.9 per cent respectively. Most of these stranger households are small and consisted of single, divorced and widowed persons, childless couples, or individual families. The ratio of immigrants among the heads of stranger households was 100 per cent in Zaria, 95.2 per cent in Ibadan and 58.2 per cent in Marrakech. While the varying distribution of tenant households within these three samples suggest different rates and volumes of immigration in these areas, the proportion of first generation immigrants among these household heads indicate that these cities have recently experienced different patterns of growth.

### The Building of Houses

The volume of new construction in the three samples of compounds differ widely. Table 22.2 on page 368 shows the total area and the area which was constructed during the five-year period that preceded the date of each survey. In Zaria construction in this period accounted for 1,773 sq.m. or 16.9 per cent of the total floor area of the sample compounds, whereas at Ibadan and Marrakech these figures dropped to 575 sq.m. or 6 per cent, and 224 sq.m. or 2.7 per cent respectively. As we have seen in Zaria most new rooms were built as a direct response to the housing-needs of expanding domestic families, while at Ibadan and Marrakech, increasing demand for rented accommodation motivated some compound heads to build more rooms. However, it should be stressed that the lay-out and organization of compounds at Zaria are relatively flexible by comparison with those of Ibadan and Marrakech, while construction costs are also much lower. These conditions enable compound heads to add more rooms as the need arose. By comparison with Zaria the cities of Ibadan and Marrakech have much higher population densities per hectare, and as building plots become increasingly scarce, building activities are naturally more restricted and costs tend to rise.

Directly connected with these different volumes of new construction in the three samples are differences in the median age of sample rooms. At Zaria for example, the median age of rooms is around 12 years, which indicates that nearly all living and sleeping rooms are replaced at each new generation of compound heads. In other words, a room lasts as long as its occupants are alive. Such periodic rebuilding of rooms at short intervals requires low construction costs and the recycling of building materials such as mud used for the construction of walls and roof beams.



At Ibadan the median age of rooms was found to be about 26 years. The increased 'life-expectancy' of these Yoruba houses may be primarily due to their corrugated iron roofs which protect the mud walls much better than traditional thatched roofs. The survey at Ibadan also revealed that a large number of inherited houses were used almost unaltered by the second and even third generation of their compound heads. Unfortunately, the median age of rooms in Marrakech could not be calculated as most compound heads did not know the age of their houses. However, historic data suggest that the median age of houses surveyed exceeded 50 years. During the five-year period from 1964 to 1969 only 2.7 per cent of the total floor area were built by 13 out of 68 interviewed compound heads. This was partly due to the lack of building plots, the mode of existing construction, and to the relatively high building costs in the Medina.

#### Expenditure on Housing

Expenditures on housing in the three cities follows closely the pattern of building activities discussed above. Table 22.3 on page 368 compares the percentage distribution of the various types of expenditure on house-building. In Zaria and Ibadan the cost of new construction was the most important item of housing expenditure, while in Marrakech expenditure on improvements rank first. This indicates that in Zaria and to a lesser extent in Ibadan land for new construction is still available, whereas in Marrakech the lack of suitable building land forces many compound heads to sell their houses and to buy bigger ones which are then improved according to the compound heads' financial abilities.

### Distribution of Floor Area

The distribution of floor area within the populations of the sample houses was studied in two ways. First, I calculated the average floor area per person classified by their relationship to the compound head; and second, I calculated the average floor area per person according to the number of persons per household. However, as these calculations of average floor area per person include all rooms including entrance halls, store-rooms, kitchens, bathrooms and workshops, it seems that the area of rooms used for sleeping provides a more useful measure of space standards among the populations in the houses surveyed. Table 22.4 on page 368 sets out the average sleeping areas for members of compound heads' households, of dependent households and of tenant households separately. As can be seen, the average sleeping areas of members of the compound heads' households was very similar in all three samples, namely, 4.8 sq.m. in Zaria, 4.7 sq.m. in Ibadan and 4.6 sq.m. in Marrakech. This convergence is especially significant, given the wide differences in the house types and in the composition of co-residential kinship groups in the three samples. The average sleeping area per person belonging to dependent or semi-dependent households was 3.9 sq.m. in Zaria, 3.0 sq.m. in Ibadan and 3.1 sq.m. in Marrakech, which is lower than comparable figures for compound heads' households. The average sleeping area per person belonging to tenants' households was 3.6 sq.m. in Ibadan and 3.4 sq.m. in Marrakech.

It is interesting to recall that in all three samples the average sleeping area per person fell slightly as the number of persons per household increased, but levelled off in households containing 3 to 4 persons and remained almost stable for all larger households. This suggests that in Zaria and to some extent in Ibadan, new rooms were constructed as the need arose, whereas at Marrakech dependent households had to emigrate when the compound head was unable to provide the extra accommodation

required. This procedure enabled resident households to maintain a minimum space standard in spite of an increasing household population. The inquiry into the sleeping area per person revealed that in spite of differences in these cultures, in the type of houses surveyed and in the composition of co-residential kinship groups, a striking convergence of the space standards obtains in all three samples. This may indicate that a common minimum space standard is unconsciously observed by the urban populations from which these samples were drawn.

### The Use of Space

For analysis, the floor area of all houses surveyed was divided into four main categories: first, living area, which includes all sitting and sleeping rooms; second, such common rooms as entrance lobbies and corridors; third, such basic ancillary facilities as kitchens, bathrooms and store-rooms; and fourth, rooms used commercially. Table 22.5 on page 368 shows that at Zaria and Marrakech the percentage distribution of the first three categories, namely, living area, common rooms and basic ancillary facilities, represented about 70 per cent, 15 per cent and 12 per cent of total floor area respectively. Commercially used rooms accounted for 3.8 per cent of the total floor area surveyed at Zaria, and 1.5 per cent of that in Marrakech. By contrast, in Ibadan nearly 84 per cent of the total floor space was living area, common rooms accounted for 5.7 per cent, basic ancillary facilities for 7.6 per cent and commercially used rooms for 3.1 per cent. It is interesting to note that 8.2 per cent of the total floor area in Zaria consisted of empty rooms, 3.6 per cent in Ibadan and 9.2 per cent in Marrakech. These empty rooms are frequently used by the compound head to accommodate newly-married wives or relatives in need of shelter. Hence houses were most economically used in Ibadan where 84 per cent of the floor area represented the living area, as compared with about 70 per cent in Zaria and Marrakech.

### Land Tenure

Besides housing itself, two other factors also influence the size and composition of domestic groups in these samples. One is the mode of land tenure which is an important part in structuring the composition of co-residential kinship groups. For example, as we have seen in the walled city of Zaria and in the centre of Ibadan most land is held by agnatic descent groups. Normally, these groups distribute their lands among their members who all enjoy usufructuary rights but cannot alienate the plots they occupy without the consent of all adult male members of the descent group. In spite of such restrictions some land is nonetheless sold, but the bulk of it including 'family compounds' still passes down within the lineage or lineage segment, unaffected by modern developments. If anything the increasing cash value of urban land and its growing scarcity, as the urban population increases, have probably strengthened the role of the descent group as a corporate landholder. In consequence, descent groups tend to congregate in ancestral family compounds and on their corporately owned lands, thus ensuring the development of those large and complex co-residential kinship groups I found in Zaria and Ibadan. At Marrakech on the other hand, most houses included in my sample were owned by individuals. With few exceptions, these individuals are free to sell the house in whole or part. This situation has enabled many a compound head to sell part of the house in order to provide his son or sons with the necessary funds to buy, lease or even to build their own houses elsewhere, often outside the old city walls.

### Income Distribution

The level and distribution of income among the various categories of household heads is the second factor which influences the size and composition of domestic groups. As shown in Table 22.6 on page 368, while compound heads have on average the highest incomes in all three samples, most heads of dependent and tenant households were in the low income category. The major exception to this pattern is found among the heads of dependent households in Marrakech, 60 per cent of whom belonged to the middle income group, and were thus financially in a better position to leave their father's or brothers' house and establish their own independent households elsewhere should the need arise. However, it seems likely that the very low overall incomes of most heads of dependent and tenant households included in the sample severely restrict their mobility and above all their choice of residence.

### The Financing of Houses

As mentioned above, the financial resources used for housing construction and other building activities derive from three main sources. First, there are the personal savings and incomes of the compoundheads; second, gifts or loans from family members and friends; and third, loans or grants from Government-sponsored housing agencies, from building societies or from banks. Table 22.7 on page 368 compares the percentage distribution of funds drawn from these alternative sources for three samples. The table shows that in Zaria, Ibadan and Marrakech between 80 and 94 per cent of the total cash expenditure on buildings over a five-year period preceding my surveys came from the personal incomes and savings of compound heads and any other dependent household heads engaged in building activities. Gifts and loans from family members and friends accounted for about 14 per cent of these expenditures at Zaria and Marrakech, but only for 6.2 per cent in Ibadan.

Financial help received from institutional sources accounted for 6.6 per cent of the total cash expenditure on housing at Marrakech, as against 1.7 per cent in Zaria and zero in Ibadan. Thus in these three surveys, institutional aid for house-building is absent or marginal.

This lack of official support particularly in Zaria and Ibadan may be due to three reasons. First, the mode of land tenure may discourage financial institutions modelled on Western prototypes from investment, as these agencies insist on clear titles to land and regard corporately owned land as a security risk in case of litigation and mortgage default; second, most institutions that lend for housing require borrowers to use only permanent building materials for the construction of houses that they finance, and third, the low average cash income of most compound heads frustrates provision of credit. My sample at Marrakech has shown that most houses were owned by individuals who had a clear title to the land which is also registered in the Municipality's land registrar's office. If required, these titles could be used as security to obtain housing loans either from the Government or from the compound heads' employers.

#### Cost of Traditional Buildings

The cost per 'unit-area' in the traditional housing sector was found to be roughly one third of the cost of modern houses constructed by building societies, housing corporations and Government agencies in Zaria and Ibadan, and about half the cost of modern buildings in Marrakech. This is mainly due to the use of relatively inexpensive building materials and cheap labour, as well as to the lack of such services as piped water, sewerage and electricity supply which are normally provided in modern houses.

The Relationship between Domestic Groupings and the Lay-out of Houses

It was shown in Zaria and Ibadan that the majority of the households surveyed lived in compounds having large and complex co-residential kinship groups, whereas at Marrakech small domestic groups predominate. It was also shown that at Zaria construction of new rooms and abandonment of old ones correspond closely with events that marked stages in the growth and decline of these co-residential kinship groups. Hence the physical development of compounds at Zaria could be explained in detail when the development of the co-residential kinship group was known, and vice versa. Moreover, the adaptability of the lay-out of most compounds in Zaria walled city with their spacious arrangements of detached huts, and the relatively low costs of construction which is partly assured by recycling such building materials as roof beams, and mud for the construction of walls, enables compound heads to provide adequate accommodation for the changing requirements of their families at the right time. So far, changes affecting the design and construction of compounds in the walled city of Zaria have been limited, and the few modern building materials such as cement and corrugated iron roofing sheets available at the local market have been used to protect existing buildings rather than to construct new and more durable houses. In spite of many shortcomings the great asset of the present building practice is undoubtedly the flexibility of the traditional compound which enables each generation of compound heads to provide new accommodation according to the needs of their families. Any further development which does not take into account the changing needs of the developing family groups, as well as the most effective and economic utilisation of new and traditional building materials will not succeed.

At Ibadan and Marrakech the relationship between domestic groupings and the lay-out of houses is more complex. This is partly due to the lack of

suitable building sites which may restrict the construction of new rooms, and partly to the large number of tenant households living in rented accommodation. Once these tenant households are established, some compound heads may find it increasingly difficult to house their growing families. Hence at Ibadan, compound heads faced with a rapidly expanding family try to build new rooms where space is available, distribute existing accommodation more economically and re-allocate rooms of dead family members. Failing these, family members have to look for alternative accommodation elsewhere. In the medina of Marrakech, where space for new construction is even more restricted, houses which have become too small for their owners' families were being sold and replaced by bigger ones.

The different system of land tenure in Zaria and Ibadan on the one hand and Marrakech on the other, has no doubt influenced the size and composition of domestic groups. Particularly in Zaria and Ibadan traditional modes of land tenure by which most land is owned corporately by agnatic descent groups, has promoted the development of large and complex co-residential groups based on kinship, whereas at Marrakech individual holdings and freehold properties tend to facilitate the division of co-residential kinship groups into smaller independent units.

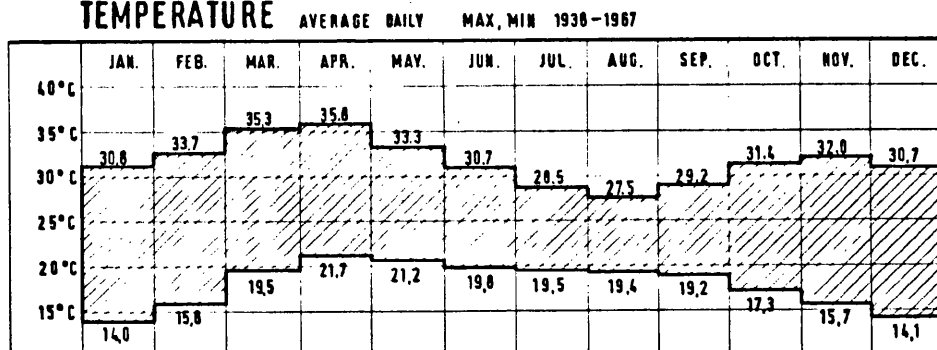
Interest in modern building materials and new construction techniques is increasing particularly among the urban population in Africa. However, capital investments needed to employ these new materials and techniques effectively are out of reach for most compound heads. Furthermore, the rapidly increasing urban population and the inability of Governments, building societies and other financial institutions to provide at least some building funds for the poorer section of the community, has led to the deteriorating housing conditions which can be found in many African towns. Only sustained economic growth can create an environment in which the State and its citizen can improve the urban housing situation.



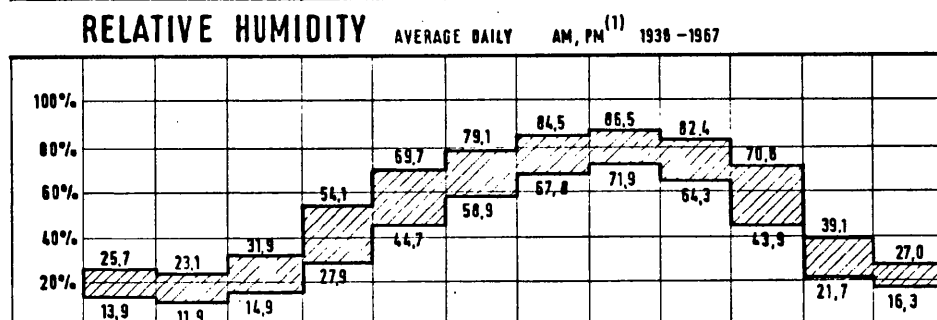
## APPENDICES 1 - 23

## DIAGRAM A.1.1 Climatic Data Zaria

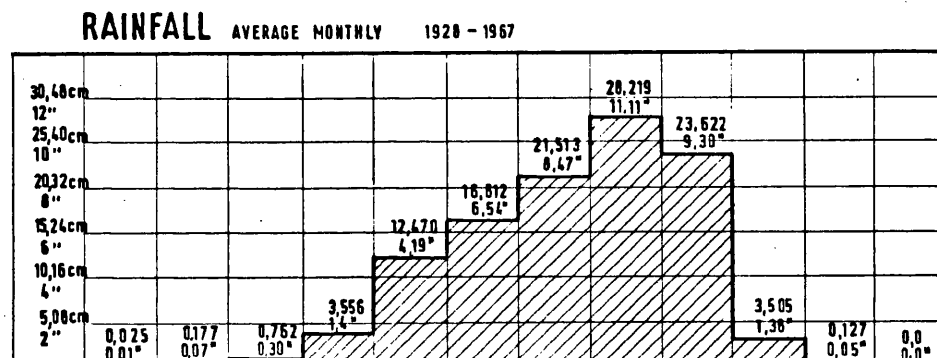
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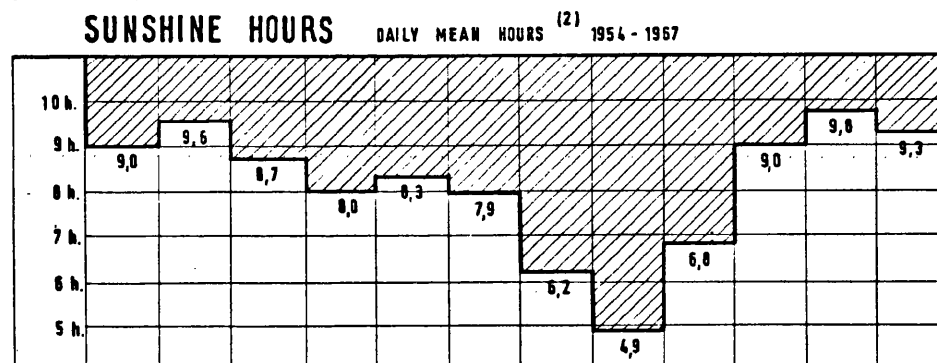
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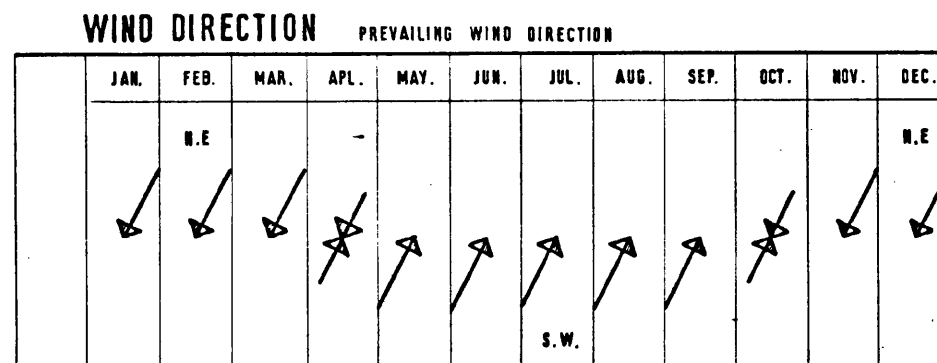
## RAINFALL



## SUNSHINE HOURS



## WIND DIRECTION



(1) BEFORE 1953 OBSERVATION TAKEN AT 08<sup>00</sup> AND 13<sup>00</sup> G.M.T. AFTER AT 09<sup>00</sup> AND 15<sup>00</sup> G.M.T.  
 (2) SUNSHINE RECORDS FROM CAMPBELL STOKES RECORDER

TABLE A.1.1 LIST OF FULANI RULERS OF ZARIA

1804-1821	Mallam Musa	Founder of the Mallawa dynasty.
1821-1834	Yamusa	Founder of the Bornuawa dynasty.
1834-1846	Abdulkarim	Founder of the Katsinawa dynasty.
1846	Hamada	Son of Yamusa. (52 days)
1846-1860	Mommon Sani	Son of Yamusa.
1860	Sidi Abdulkadiri	Son of M. Musa, Deposed by Sultan of Sokoto.
1860-1863	Audusallami	Member of the Suleibawa Clan
1863-1873	Abdullahi	Son of Hamada. Deposed by Sultan of Sokoto.
1873-1876	Abubakar	Son of M. Musa.
1876-1881	Abdullahi	Restored by Sultan and again deposed.
1881-1890	Sambo	Son of Abdulkarim. Deposed by Sultan of Sokoto.
1890-1897	Yero	Son of Abdullahi.
1897-1902	Kwassau	Son of Yero. Deposed by British.
1902-1903	Galadima Suleimanu	Acting Regent for 6 months.
1903-1920	Aliyu	Son of Sidi Abdulkadiri. Deposed by British.
1920-1924	Dalhatu	Son of Yero.
1924-1936	Ibrahim	Son of Kwassau.
1936-1959	Ja'afaru	Grandson of Yero.
1959-	Muhammadu Aminu	Great-Grand-Son of Abdulkarim

SOURCE: Smith, M.G. Government in Zazzau 1800-1950 London 1964, pp. 141-237

TABLE A.1.2 Gross Domestic Product at 1962 Factor Cost

In £N. Million

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Agriculture	798.9	774.9	802.9	868.9	865.7	871.1	790.9	679.0	669.0	763.9		
Distribution	158.8	153.9	156.5	180.9	199.1	209.2	194.9	166.5	166.1	205.8		
Manufacturing and Crafts	59.8	65.1	73.2	85.0	90.5	110.5	110.8	95.0	100.2	131.7		
Transport and Communication	56.9	64.1	62.7	65.5	74.6	73.1	71.0	56.7	62.8	63.8		
Building Construction	50.0	52.7	56.4	59.2	64.0	81.1	80.1	67.9	58.5	70.0		
Crude Oil and Mining	14.9	21.7	27.0	29.4	39.8	74.9	105.2	81.9	42.5	127.0		
General Government	39.9	38.6	38.8	38.9	44.8	48.4	49.6	42.3	69.5	119.9		
Education	32.0	35.1	38.9	41.4	46.7	48.5	55.4	44.9	45.9	52.1		
Health	6.2	7.1	8.4	8.9	10.1	11.3	13.1	10.0	9.5	13.6		
Electricity and Water Supply	4.0	4.8	5.8	6.8	7.8	9.1	10.0	7.5	8.7	10.4		
Other Services	25.3	28.1	28.2	27.9	30.7	36.2	41.4	34.4	39.2	44.7		
Total	1,246.7	1,246.1	1,298.8	1,412.8	1,473.8	1,573.8	1,552.4	1,286.1	1,271.9	1,602.9		
G.D.P. at Current Factor Cost	1,123.7	1,179.8	1,298.8	1,372.9	1,447.2	1,555.0	1,687.4	1,376.3	1,328.1	1,752.0		

Source: Federal Office of Statistics, Nigeria, Annual Abstract of Statistics 1971, Lagos 1972 pp. 140-1

TABLE A.1.3 Gross Domestic Product at 1962 Factor Cost

In Percentage

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Agriculture	64.1	62.2	61.8	61.5	58.7	55.3	51.9	52.8	52.6	47.7		
Distribution	12.7	12.4	12.0	12.8	13.5	13.3	12.8	12.9	13.1	12.8		
Manufacturing and Crafts	4.8	5.2	5.6	6.0	6.1	7.0	7.3	7.4	7.9	8.2		
Transport and Communication	4.6	5.1	4.8	4.6	5.1	4.6	4.7	4.4	4.9	4.0		
Building Construction	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.2	4.4	5.2	5.3	5.3	4.6	4.4		
Crude Oil and Mining	1.2	1.7	2.1	2.1	2.7	4.8	6.9	6.3	3.3	7.9		
General Government	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	5.5	7.5		
Education	2.6	2.8	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.1	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.3		
Health	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.8		
Electricity and Water Supply	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6		
Other Services	2.0	2.3	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.7	2.7	3.1	2.8		
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		

TABLE A.1.4 Export of Principal Products

In £N. Million

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Agriculture	133.2	133.6	123.2	135.1	143.1	156.2	139.7	128.0	127.6	134.8	136.3	120.6
Crude Petroleum	4.4	11.5	16.7	20.2	32.1	68.1	92.0	72.1	37.0	131.0	254.9	476.5
Metal Ore	8.3	8.1	9.3	11.2	14.1	16.1	16.6	14.1	14.3	10.2	9.6	8.5
Timber	8.1	7.9	7.0	7.8	8.9	7.5	6.7	4.2	4.1	5.1	3.9	3.4
Miscellaneous	11.6	9.0	7.9	10.6	12.3	15.3	23.7	19.7	23.5	33.5	33.8	31.4
Total Domestic Export	165.6	170.1	164.0	184.9	210.5	263.2	278.7	238.1	206.5	314.6	438.5	640.4

Source: Federal Office of Statistics, Nigeria, Annual Abstract of Statistics, 1971, Lagos 1972, pp.84-6

TABLE A.1.5 Export of Principal Products

In Percentage

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Agriculture	80.4	78.5	75.0	73.1	68.0	59.3	50.1	53.7	61.8	42.9	31.1	18.9
Crude Petroleum	2.7	6.8	10.2	10.9	15.3	25.9	33.0	30.3	17.9	41.6	58.1	74.4
Metal Ore	5.0	4.8	5.7	6.1	6.7	6.1	6.0	5.9	6.9	3.2	2.2	1.3
Timber	4.9	4.6	4.3	4.2	4.2	2.9	2.4	1.8	2.0	1.6	0.9	0.5
Miscellaneous	7.0	5.3	4.8	5.7	5.8	5.8	8.5	8.3	11.4	10.7	7.7	4.9
Total Domestic Export	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE A.1.6 Value of External Trade and Visible Balance

In £N. Million

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Merchandise Import	215.9	222.5	203.2	207.6	253.9	275.4	257.0	223.5	192.6	248.7	378.2	539.5
Domestic Export	165.6	170.1	164.0	184.9	210.5	263.2	278.7	238.1	206.5	314.6	438.5	640.4
Re-Export	4.1	3.6	4.5	4.8	4.2	5.0	5.4	3.7	4.6	3.5	4.2	6.2
Total Export	169.7	173.7	168.5	189.7	214.7	268.2	284.1	241.8	211.1	318.1	442.7	646.6
Visible Balance	- 46.2	- 48.9	- 34.7	- 17.9	- 39.2	- 7.1	+ 27.1	+ 18.3	+ 18.5	+ 69.5	+ 64.5	+107.2

Source: Federal Office of Statistics, Nigeria, Annual Abstract of Statistics, 1971, Lagos 1972, p.68

In £N. Million

Source: Federal Office of Statistics, Nigeria, Annual Abstract of Statistics, 1971, Lagos 1972, p.69

### In Percentage

In £N. Million

Source: Federal Office of Statistics, Annual Abstract of Statistics 1971, Lagos 1972 p.142

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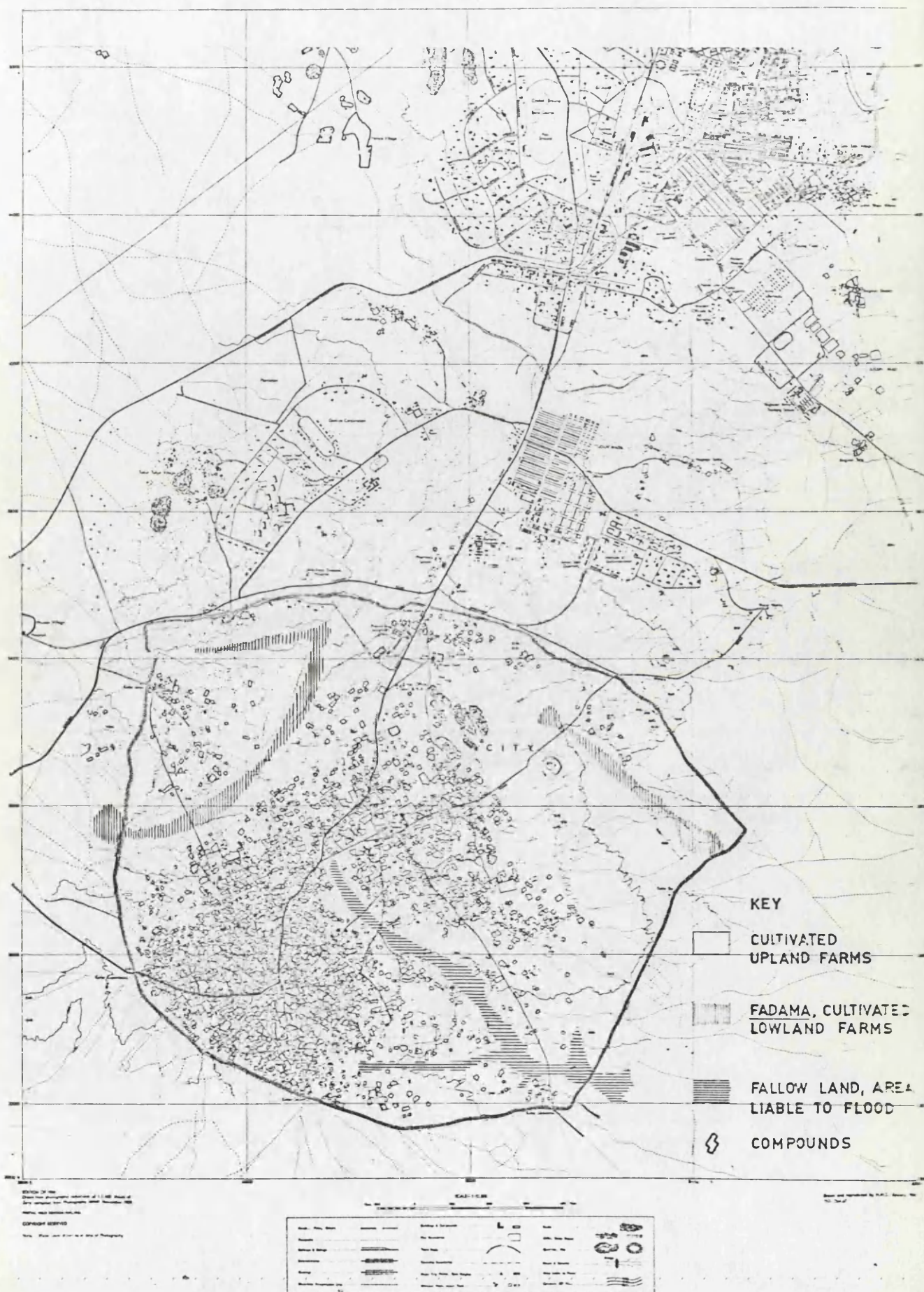
Table A.2.1 Type of Tenure of 77 Compounds in Zaria Walled City, 1968

	Compounds	Percentage of Total
1. Inherited	50	65.0
2. Purchased	19	24.6
3. Allotted	5	6.5
4. Gift	2	2.6
5. Reclaimed land	1	1.3
Total	77	100.0

Table A.2.2 Use of Land Within the Walled City of Zaria, 1963

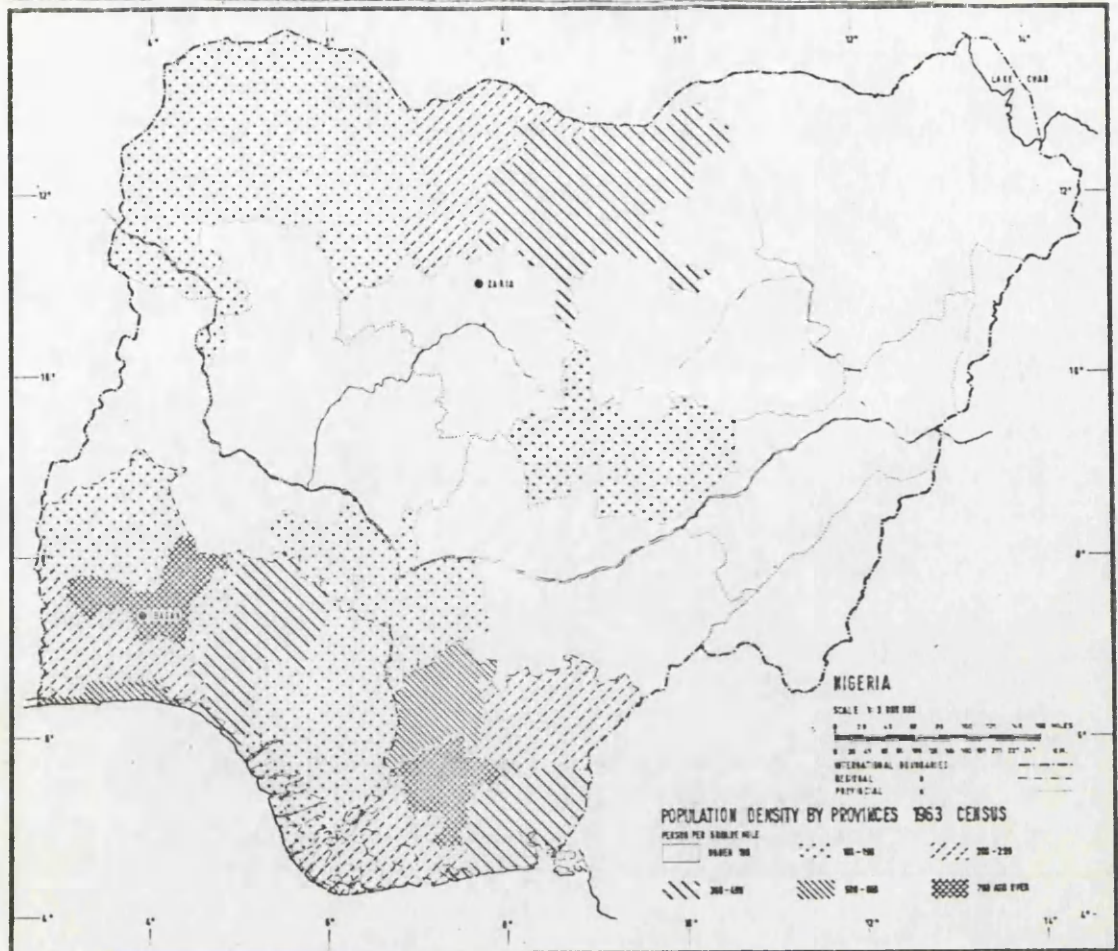
	Sq. metres	Percentage of Total
1. Cultivated Land	10,982,660	66.2
2. Building Sites	3,077,640	18.6
3. Waste Land	1,502,620	9.1
4. Roads	353,400	2.1
5. Rock Surfaces	347,740	2.1
6. Borrow-pits and Brooks	313,610	1.9
Total Area	16,577,670	100.0

MAP A.2.1 Use of Land in the Walled City of Zaria





MAP A.3.1 Nigeria Population Density by Provinces in 1963



MAP A.3.2 Administrative Division of Nigeria

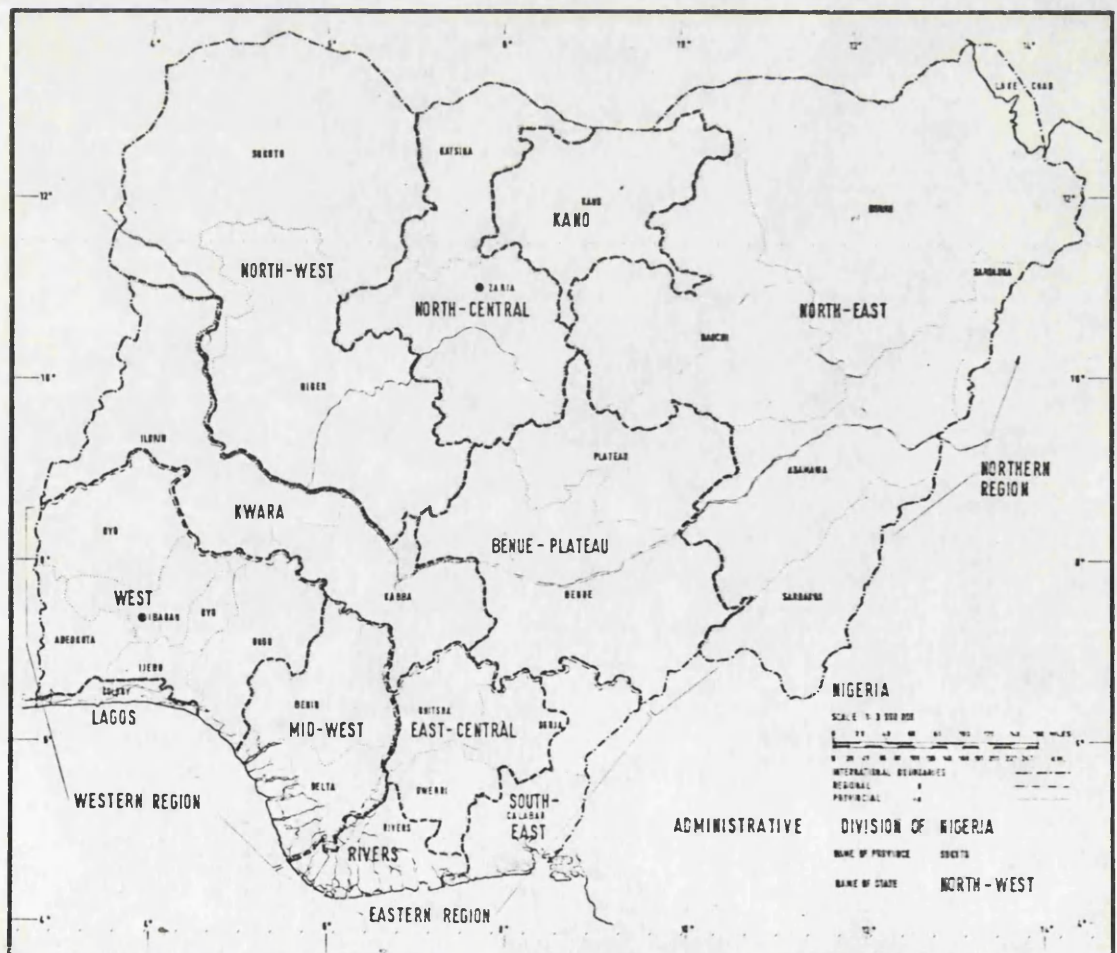


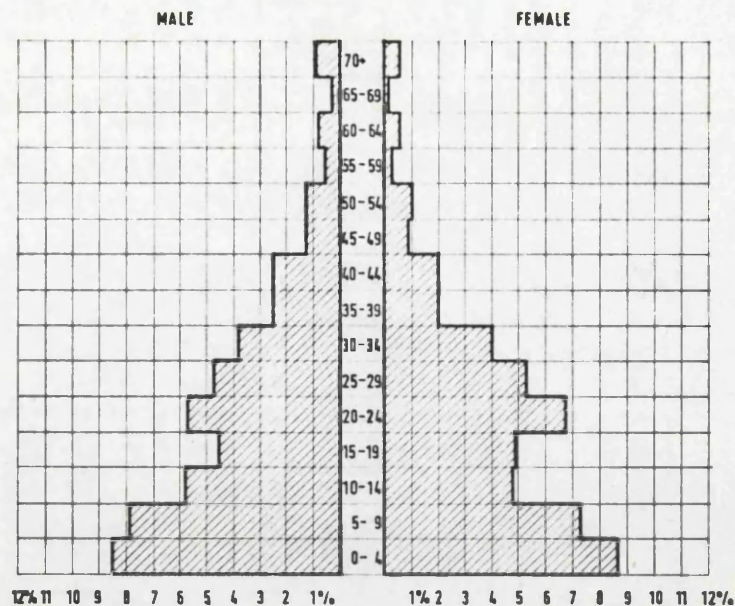


TABLE A.3.1 Reported Age Distribution, 1963 Census and Sample Population in Percentage

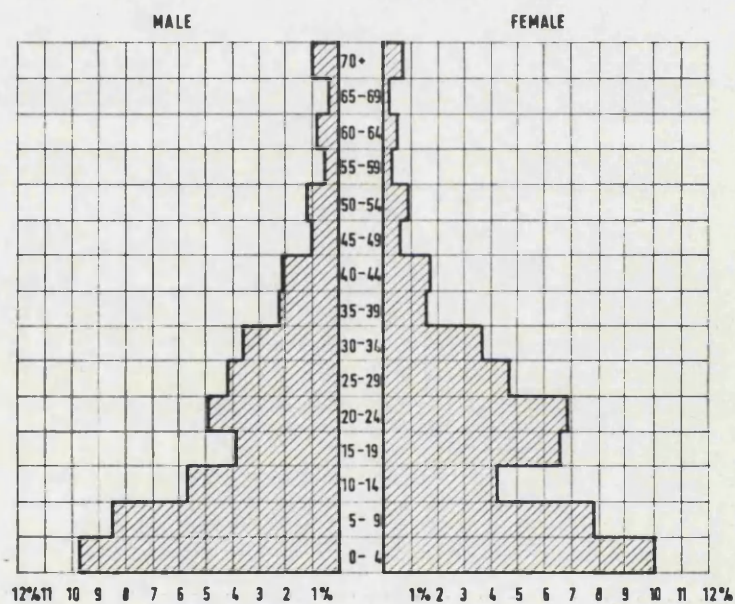
AGE	TOTAL NATIONAL 1963		TOTAL URBAN 63		TOTAL RURAL 63		ZARIA TOTAL DIVISION 63		ZARIA DIV. URBAN 63		ZARIA DIV. RURAL 63		SURVEY SAMPLE 63	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0-4	8.5	8.7	7.1	7.2	8.7	9.0	9.7	10.0	7.6	7.8	10.0	10.0	9.2	11.4
5-9	7.9	7.3	6.4	6.3	8.1	7.5	8.5	7.8	6.5	6.4	8.9	8.0	8.8	8.5
10-14	5.8	4.8	5.6	4.7	5.9	4.8	5.7	4.2	5.8	3.9	5.6	4.5	5.2	3.6
0-14	43.0		37.3		44.0		45.9		38.0		47.4		46.7	
15-19	4.5	4.9	5.4	4.5	4.3	5.0	3.9	6.6	4.4	5.8	3.8	6.7	3.1	4.6
20-24	5.7	6.8	8.0	6.8	5.2	6.8	4.9	6.9	7.1	6.0	4.6	7.0	2.4	6.4
25-29	4.7	5.3	6.6	5.6	4.3	5.3	4.2	4.7	6.5	4.9	3.9	4.6	3.8	6.3
30-34	3.8	4.0	4.5	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.6	3.7	4.8	3.8	3.4	3.7	2.3	3.4
35-39	2.4	2.0	3.0	2.1	2.3	2.0	2.2	1.6	3.3	1.9	2.1	1.5	2.3	2.6
40-44	2.4	2.0	2.4	1.9	2.3	2.0	2.1	1.7	2.6	2.0	2.0	1.6	2.4	1.7
45-49	1.2	0.9	1.4	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.0	0.6	1.3	0.8	0.9	0.6	1.5	1.5
15-49	50.6		57.0		49.3		47.7		55.2		46.4		44.3	
50-54	1.2	1.0	1.2	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.2	0.9	1.3	1.2	1.2	0.9	1.7	1.6
55-59	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.7	1.3
60-64	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.6	1.3
65-69	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.1
70+	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.7	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.6	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.5
50+	6.4		5.7		6.7		6.4		6.8		6.2		9.0	
TOTAL M/F	50.6	49.4	53.6	46.4	49.9	50.1	49.6	50.4	53.7	46.3	49.0	51.0	45.2	54.8
TOTAL	100.0		100.0		100.0		100.0		100.0		100.0		100.0	

SOURCE: Federal Office of Statistics, Nigeria, Population Census 1963 Vol. 3 (Mimeo)

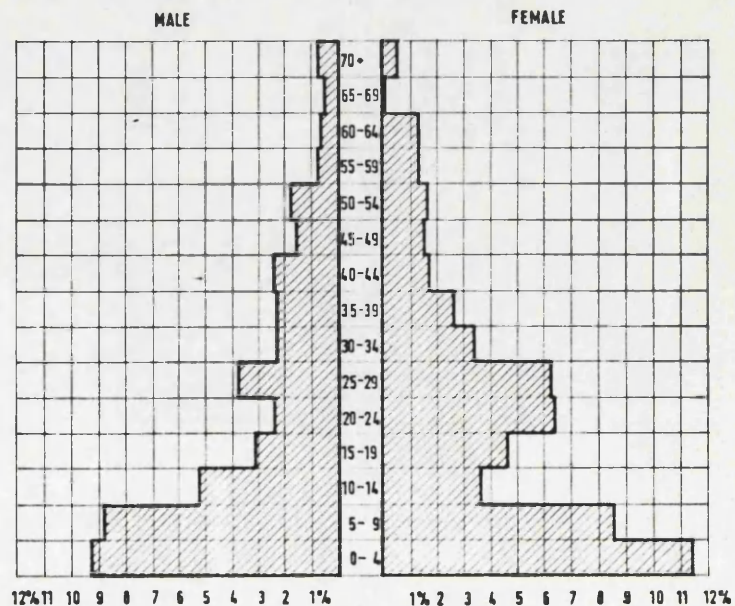
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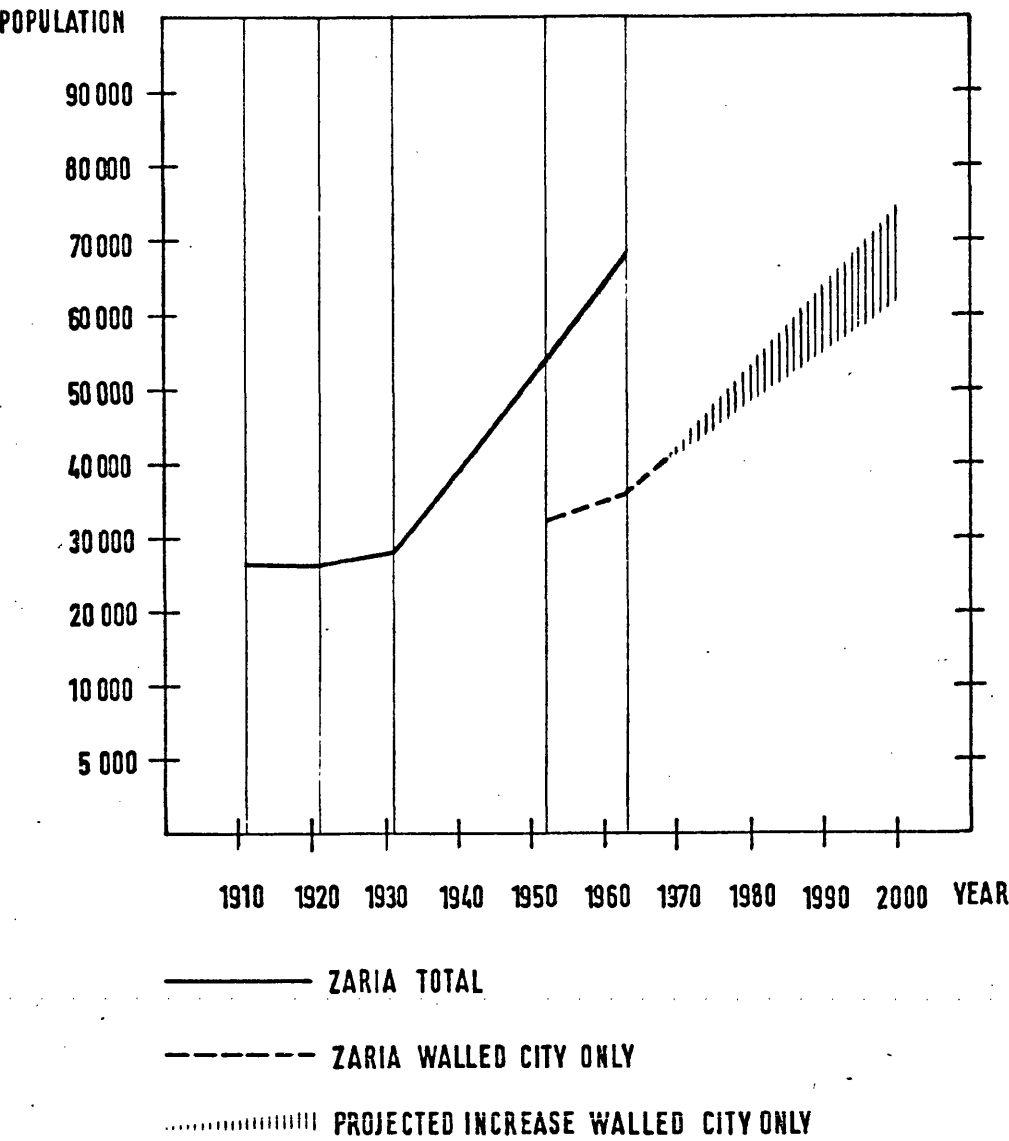
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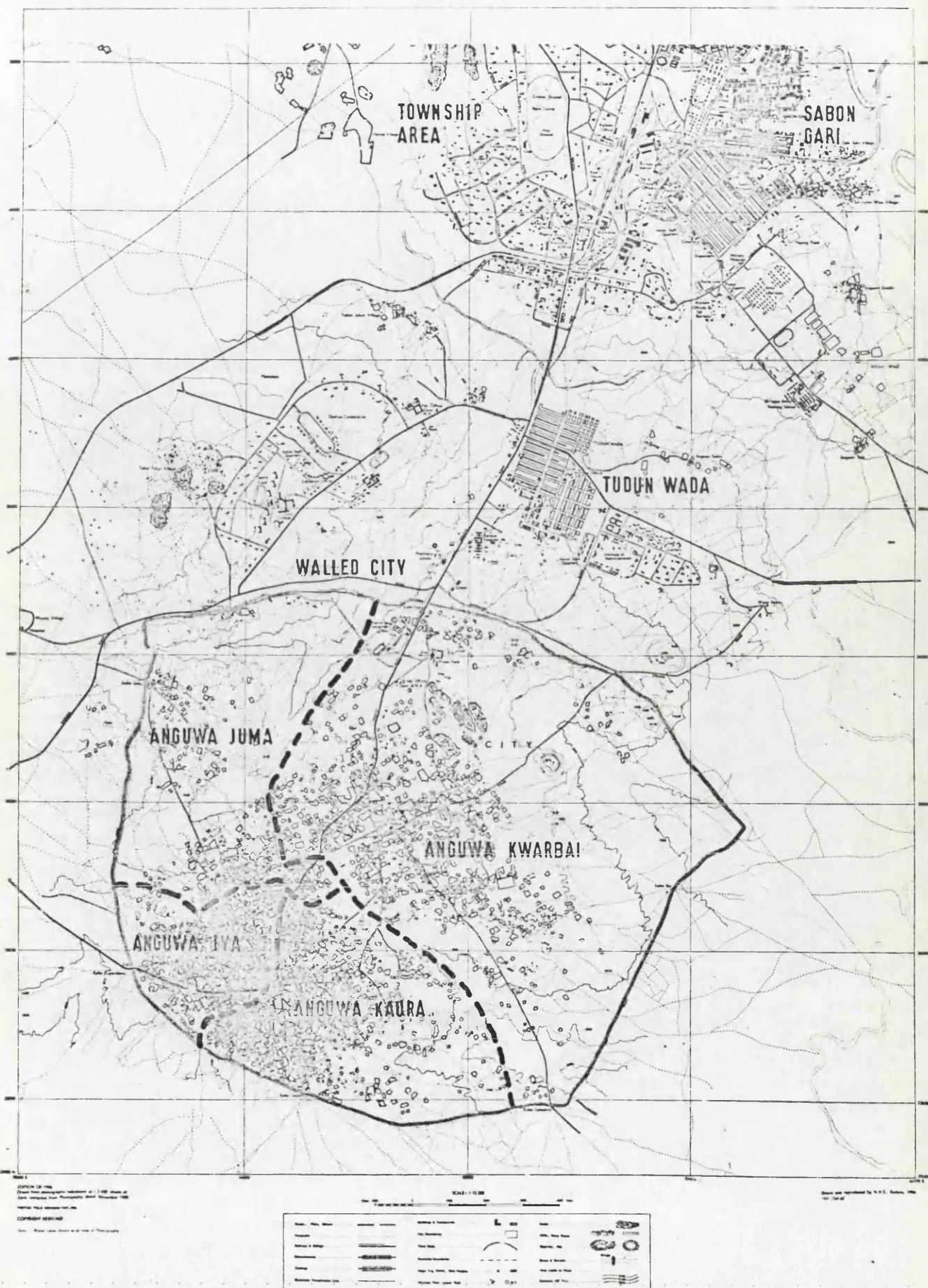


GRAPH A.3.1    Population Trends and Projections in Zaria



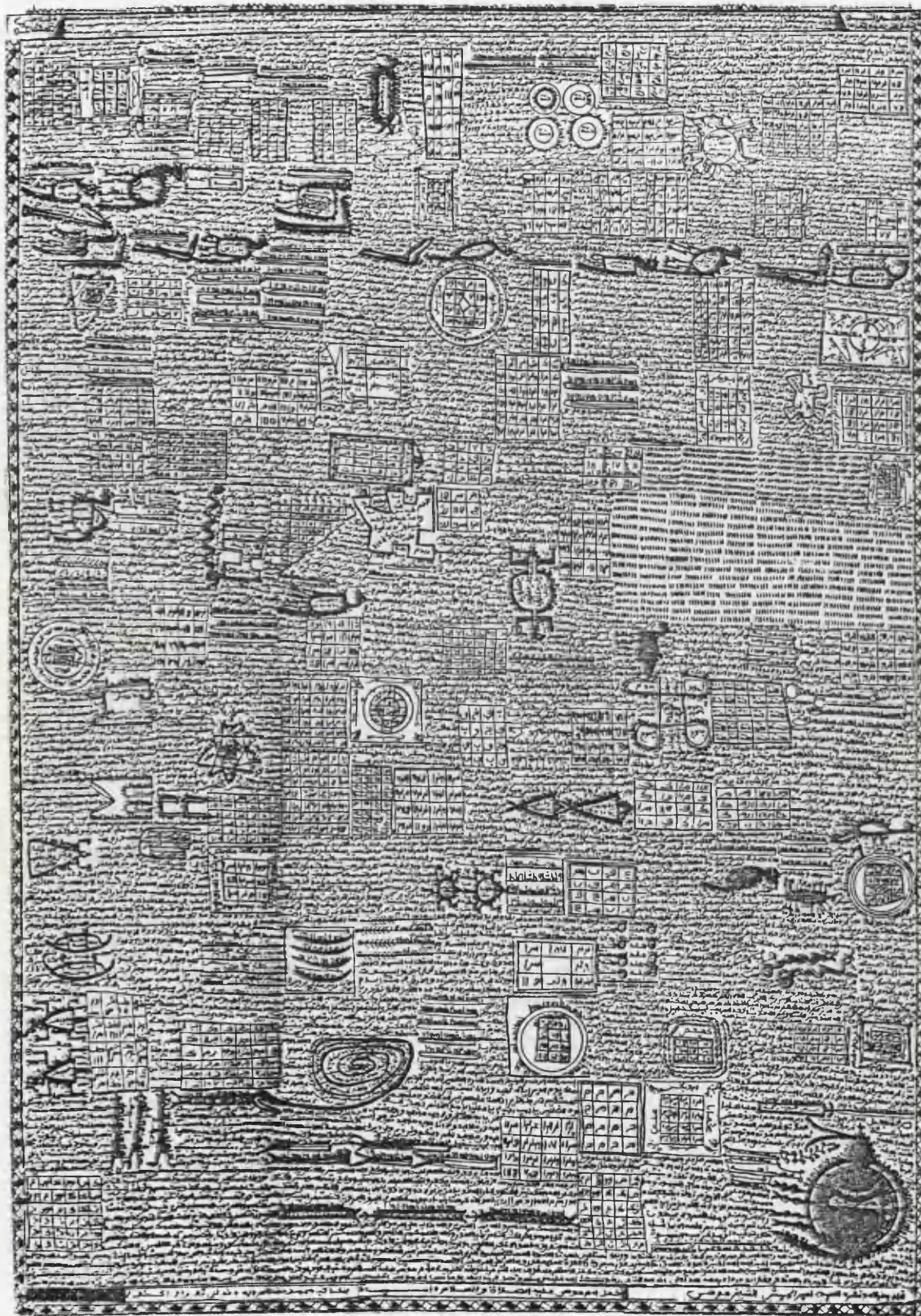


MAP A.3.3 Administrative Division of Zaria





PICTURE A.4.1 Charm for the Protection of Houses and their Inhabitants



This charm was found concealed in a small leather bag hung over the main entrance door of a compound. It is believed to ward off evil spirits and to protect the house and its inhabitants from every conceivable mishap.



TABLE A.4.1 Land Use Inside Compounds (Open Area)

	No. of Comp.	sq.m.	Per Cent	Av. Area sq.m.
Courtyard Area	77	23,902	76.4	310.4
Cultivated Land	44	4,088	13.1	92.9
Cement Platforms	63	2,122	6.8	33.7
Washing Places	73	1,012	3.2	13.9
Storage Space	37	160	0.5	4.3
Total Open Area	77	31,284	100.0	406.3

TABLE A.4.6 Age of Household Heads

Age	Compound Heads	Dep. Household Heads
15-19	-	3
20-24	1	14
25-29	6	33
30-34	9	17
35-39	5	18
40-44	13	12
45-49	12	4
50-54	9	7
55-59	7	-
60-64	6	2
65-69	3	2
70+	6	2
Total H.H.	77	114

TABLE A.4.7 Household Composition

	COR- POND	NUMBER OF HOUSE- HOLDS	TOTAL NO OF															
			A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	15+
1 A	26	1																26
A+O		2														2		2
A+O2		2														4		4
A+O+N		3														1	1	3
TOTAL STAGE 1	31	31														1	7	39
2 A+B	3	2																6
A+B2	4	3																12
A+B4	1	5																6
A+B+F2	1	4																5
TOTAL STAGE 2	9	9																27
3 A+E	6	2																12
A+E2	4	3																12
A+I	4	4																8
A+I2	2	3																4
A+I+L	1	3																3
TOTAL STAGE 3	17	17																41
4 A+E2+B+F	1	5																5
A+E2+B+F3	1	7																7
A+E+B3+F3	1	8																8
A+E+B+F2	1	5																5
A+E+F	1	3																3
A+E+F2	2	2																2
A+E+I+B+F	1	5																5
A+I+B3+F+I2	1	8																8
A+I2+J2+N	1	6																6
A+I+J	1	3																3
TOTAL STAGE 4	11	11																11
5 A+B3+F+N	1	6																6
TOTAL STAGE 5	1	6																6
6 A+E+K	1	3																3
TOTAL STAGE 6	1	1																1
JOINT COMP.																		
A+F+D	1	3																3
A+C	1	2																2
A+C+O	1	3																3
A+G	1	2																2
A+G+H	1	3																3
A+H	1	2																2
A+M	1	2																2
TOTAL	7	7																7
GRAND TOTAL	77	77																77

KEY HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION

- A Compound Head's Family  
B CH's Sons' Fam.  
C CH's Full Brothers' Fam.  
D CH's Half Brothers' Family  
E CH's Half Brothers' Sons' Fam.  
F CH's Father's Fam.  
G CH's Daughters' Fam.  
H CH's Full Sisters' Fam.  
I CH's Full Sisters' Sons' Fam.  
J CH's Mother's Brothers' Fam.  
K CH's Mother's Brothers' Sons' Fam.  
L CH's Mother's Sons' Fam.  
M CH's Clients' Fam.  
N CH's Strangers' Fam.  
O Strangers' Fam.

Example: A+E2, (Compound Head's Family plus two CH's Sons' Families)

TABLE A.4.2 Rooms and Floor Area per Household

	Compound Head's Hh. 77 Hh. 605 Pers.			CH's F+H.Brs.'Hh. 39 Hh. 172 Pers.			CH's Sons'Hh. 29 Hh. 106 Pers.			CH's F+H.Brs.'Sons'Hh. 25 Hh. 118 Pers.			Other Related Hh. 10 Hh. 29 Pers.			Clients' + Strangers' Hh. 11 Hh. 39 Pers.			Total No. of Hh. 191 Hh. 1,067 Pers.			
	Rms.	m <sup>2</sup>	%	Rms.	m <sup>2</sup>	%	Rms.	m <sup>2</sup>	%	Rms.	m <sup>2</sup>	%	Rms.	m <sup>2</sup>	%	Rms.	m <sup>2</sup>	%	Rms.	m <sup>2</sup>	%	
1. <u>LIVING SPACE</u>																						
a. Roms used for sleeping	359	2,896.3	27.65	93	706.8	6.75	55	415.5	3.97	58	400.0	3.82	15	121.1	1.16	18	148.1	1.41	598	4,687.8	44.7	
b. Sitting rooms + central halls	88	815.8	7.79	20	219.9	2.10	7	55.2	0.53	10	84.6	0.81	6	39.2	0.37	1	7.0	0.07	132	1,221.7	11.7	
c. Store for personal articles	29	215.4	2.06	10	61.6	0.59	3	20.2	0.19	2	10.5	0.10	2	17.2	0.16				44	314.4	3.0	
d. Empty living + sleeping rooms	96	754.6	7.20	5	42.6	0.41	3	23.7	0.23	2			3	26.2	0.25				109	857.6	8.2	
TOTAL	572	4,682.1	44.70	128	1,030.9	9.84	68	514.6	4.91	70	495.1	4.73	26	203.7	1.94	19	155.1	1.48	883	7,081.5	67.6	
2. <u>DORMITORY ROOMS</u>																						
a. Entrance hut or zaure	70*	811.2	7.74				1	7.5	0.07										71	818.7	7.8	
b. Second entrance hut	85	745.9	7.13	2	20.9	0.20	4	24.8	0.24										91	791.6	7.6	
c. Passages and staircases		72.3	0.69		3.3	0.03														75.6	0.7	
TOTAL	155	1,629.4	15.56	2	24.2	0.23	5	32.3	0.31										162	1,685.9	16.1	
3. <u>BASIC ANCILLARY FACILITIES</u>																						
a. Kitchen	70	508.5	4.85	15	79.8	0.76	4	26.2	0.25	4	26.8	0.26	2	14.8	0.14	2	11.1	0.11	97	667.2	6.4	
b. Kitchen stores	17	101.3	0.97	2	11.5	0.11							1	6.6	0.06				20	119.4	1.1	
c. Other stores	40	337.7	3.22	3	25.8	0.25				1	4.4	0.04							44	367.9	3.5	
d. Toilet and bathrooms	27	143.3	1.37	1	4.2	0.04							1	4.8	0.04				29	152.3	1.5	
TOTAL	154	1,090.8	10.41	21	121.3	1.16	4	26.2	0.25	5	31.2	0.30	4	26.2	0.25	2	11.1	0.11	190	1,306.8	12.5	
4. <u>COMMERCIAL ROOMS</u>																						
a. Shops and workshops	12	111.1	1.06																12	111.1	1.0	
b. Store for trading articles	9	131.0	1.25																9	131.0	1.3	
c. Stables	19	98.4	0.94	4	32.0	0.30	2	10.2	0.10	2	8.5	0.08	1	8.0	0.07				38	157.1	1.5	
TOTAL	40	340.5	3.25	4	32.0	0.30	2	10.2	0.10	2	8.5	0.08	1	8.0	0.07				49	399.2	3.8	
GRAND TOTAL	921	7,742.8	73.9	155	1,208.4	11.5	79	583.3	5.6	77	534.8	5.1	31	237.9	2.3	21	166.2	1.6		1,284	10,473.4	100.0





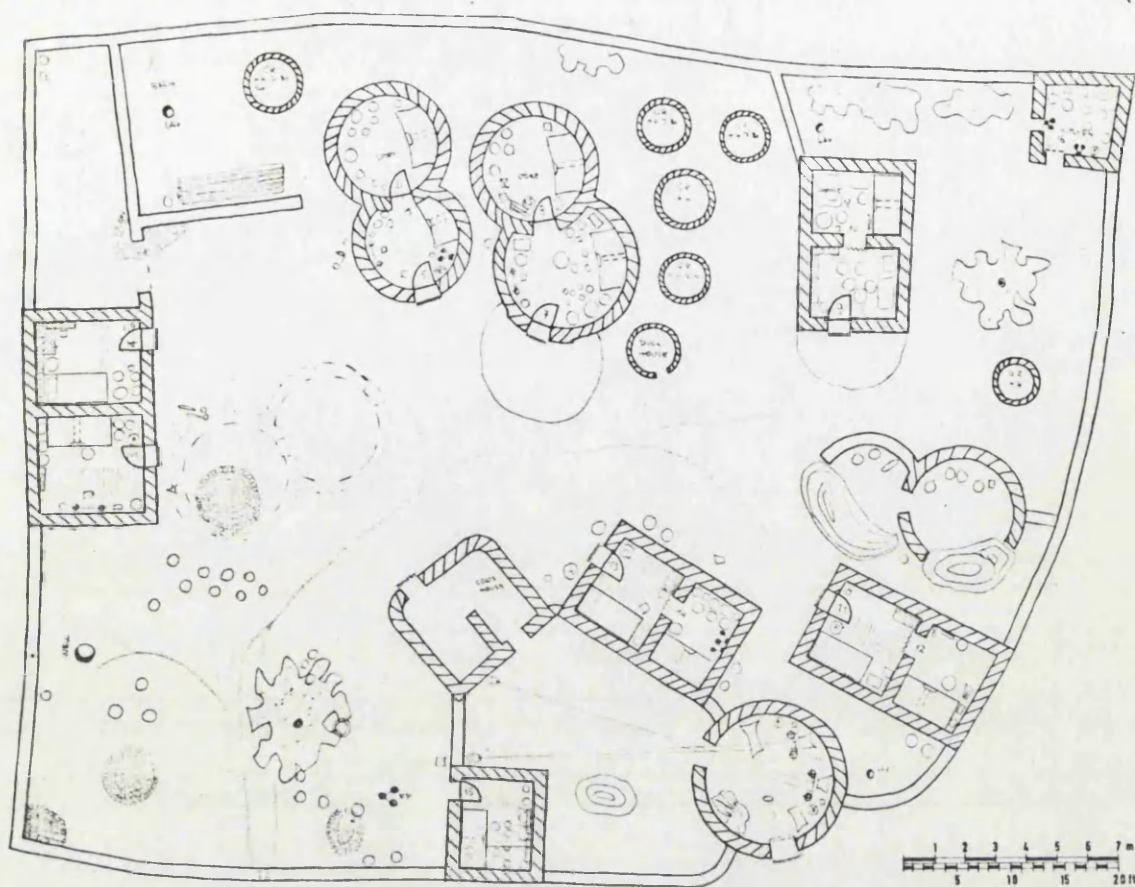
TABLE A.4.5 Distribution of Household Sizes

No. of pers. per household	Household Groups	Compound Head's Household			Dependent Households			Total Households		
		No. of house- holds	Per cent of Household Groups	Total No. of person	No. of house- holds	Per cent of Household Groups	Total No. of person	No. of house- holds	Per cent of household groups	Total No. of person
1	1 - 2	1	3.9	1	2	27.2	2	3	17.8	3
2		2		4	29		58	31		62
3	3 - 4	5	14.3	15	25	36.7	75	30	27.8	90
4		6		24	17		68	23		92
5	5 - 6	10	24.6	50	17	23.7	85	27	24.0	135
6		9		54	10		60	19		114
7	7 - 8	6	16.9	42	6	6.2	42	12	10.5	84
8		7		56	1		8	8		64
9	9 - 10	6	15.6	54	5	5.3	45	11	9.4	99
10		6		60	1		10	7		70
11	11 - 12	7	15.6	77	1	0.9	11	8	6.8	88
12		5		60				5		60
OVER 12	OVER 12	7	9.1	106				7	3.7	106
TOTAL		77	100.0	603	114	100.0	464	191	100.0	1,067
AVERAGE				7.8			4.1			5.6

TABLE A.4.8 Average Floor Area per Household and Person According to Household Size

No. of person per household	No. of households	No. of person	Average person per household	Total Floor Area			Sleeping Area		
				Total floor area m <sup>2</sup>	Average area in m <sup>2</sup> per household	person	Sleeping area in m <sup>2</sup>	Average sleeping area in m <sup>2</sup> per household	person
1- 2	34	65	1.91	586.7	17.2	9.0	312.8	9.2	4.8
3- 4	53	182	3.43	1,614.5	30.5	8.9	836.3	15.8	4.6
5- 6	46	249	5.41	2,369.6	51.5	9.5	1,098.6	23.9	4.4
7- 8	20	148	7.40	1,354.2	67.7	9.1	598.3	29.9	4.1
9- 10	18	169	9.39	1,745.5	97.0	10.3	682.0	37.9	4.0
11- 12	13	148	11.38	1,538.8	118.4	10.4	661.5	50.9	4.5
12+	7	106	15.14	1,264.1	180.6	11.9	498.3	71.2	4.7
Total	191	1,067		10,473.4			4,687.8		
Average			5.59		54.8	9.8		24.5	4.4

PLAN A.4.1 House 68



PLAN A.4.2 House 71

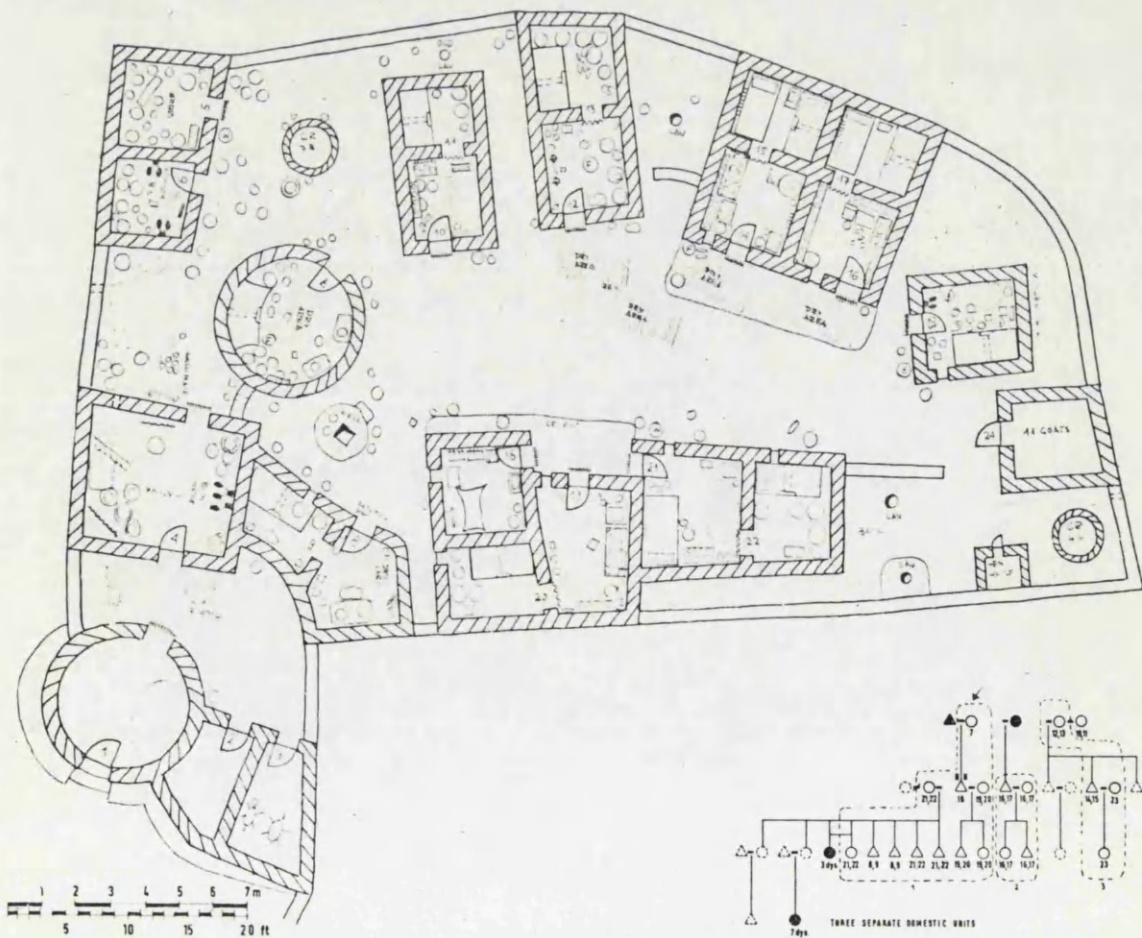


TABLE A.5.1 Ibadan Consumer Price Index

Base: Average 1953 = 100

	All Items	Accommodation Fuel and Light	Food and Drink	Tobacco and Kola	Clothing	Transport	Other Goods & Services
Weights	100	10	56	5	11	6	12
1961	127	121	131	145	107	101	131
1962	137	122	143	147	130	106	137
1963	128	119	125	146	143	107	135
1964	127	118	123	141	143	113	138
1965	131	120	131	127	145	118	135
1966	146	120	158	130	146	119	135
1967	141	121	145	130	159	120	137
1968	136	120	135	133	154	126	145
1969	148	128	142	129	167	131	161
1970	166	137	174	129	178	146	170
1971	173	147	235	128	175	143	187

TABLE A.5.2 Kaduna Consumer Price Index

Base: Average 1957 = 100

	All Items	Accommodation	Food	Drinks	Tobacco and Kola	Fuel & Light	Clothing	Other Goods	Transport and Other Services
Weights	100	8	50	6	5	5	13	6	7
1961	115	112	120	128	132	146	128	110	118
1962	122	112	111	130	134	160	127	110	130
1963	119	112	107	135	132	148	136	108	135
1964	118	112	113	147	114	152	139	111	138
1965	122	112	133	136	111	152	138	112	140
1966	131	112	122	142	111	191	140	117	131
1967	128	112	111	159	118	199	170	149	128
1968	130	112	135	163	129	197	200	150	131
1969	147	112	159	154	114	154	190	177	143
1970	157	112	200	144	123	212	196	187	146
1971	168	112							

Source: Federal Office of Statistics, Nigeria Annual Abstract of Statistics 1971, Lagos 1973, pp. 106-7

TABLE A.5.3 Occupational Pattern Survey Sample

	Main			Secondary Occupation												
	Occupation			Compound Head							Dependent Hh.Head					
	CH	DEH	T.	Agr.		C	T	M	T	Agr.		C	T	M	T	GT.
				S	K					S	K					
<b>AGRICULTURE</b>																
Farmers or Farmlab.	2	8	10			1		1	2			5		3	8	10
<b>ART AND CRAFTS</b>																
Tailor	6	18	24	4	1				5	10					10	15
Embroiderer	3	11	14	1	1				2	10					10	12
Mallam	4	7	11		2				2	1		1			2	4
Builder	2	4	6	1	1				2	4					4	6
Weaver, Dyer	1	2	3	1					1	2					2	3
Butcher	1		1	1					1							1
Barber, Baker	2		2	1					1							1
Other Crafts	2	7	9		1		1		2	4		2	1		7	9
Sub-Total	21	49	70	9	6		1		16	31		3	1		35	51
<b>TRADE</b>																
Textiles	10	11	21	2	4	2			8	5		1			6	14
Prov.+ cooked Food	9	12	21	4	3				7	7					7	14
Potash (Natron)	3	1	4	1	2				3	1					1	4
Kola Nuts	2	4	6		2				2	1	1				2	4
Miscellaneous	2	4	6	1					1	1					1	2
Sub-Total	26	32	58	8	11	2			21	15	1	1			17	38
<b>SERVICE</b>																
N.A. Police	4	6	10	1	2				3							3
Army		4	4													
N.A. Clerk	5		5	1	2				3							3
Gen. Lab. Watchmen	4	2	6	3			1		4	2					2	6
N.A. Messenger	2	3	5	1					1	2				1	3	4
Car Driver	3	1	4		1				1							1
N.A. Vet. Assistant	3		3		2				2							2
Gov. Produce Exam.	1	1	2	1					1		1				1	2
Station Master N.R.		1	1													
Sub-Total	22	18	40	7	7		1		15	4	1			1	6	21
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>																
Retired	6	1	7	2	1	1			4							4
Invalid		1	1													
Student A.B.U. Kano		1	1							1					1	1
No Response		4	4													
Sub-Total	6	7	13	2	1	1			4	1					1	5
Grand Total	77	114	191	26	25	4	2	1	58	51	2	9	1	4	67	125

CH = Compound Head  
 DEH = Dependent Household Head  
 T. = Total  
 Agr. = Agriculture

S = Agriculture Self  
 K = Agriculture kodago (Paid Labour)  
 C = Crafts  
 T = Trade  
 M = Miscellaneous  
 GT. = Grand Total

TABLE A.5.4 Number of Valid and Omitted Households

	Comp. Head Hh.		Dep. Househ.		Total Hh.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Valid	77	100.0	70	61.4	147	77.0
Omitted	-	-	44	38.6	44	23.0
Total Househ.	77	100.0	114	100.0	191	100.0

TABLE A.5.5 Income Distribution of Valid Households

Income Group	Comp. Head Hh.		Dep. Househ.		Total Hh.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Low	41	53.2	60	85.8	101	68.7
Middle	32	41.6	10	14.2	42	28.6
High	4	5.2	-	-	4	2.7
Total	77	100.0	70	100.0	147	100.0

TABLE A.6 DISTRIBUTION OF INCOMES FOR DIFFERENT SIZE HOUSEHOLDS

A. COUPLE HEADS' HOUSEHOLDS

Av. Person in Month. Inc.	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	12 +	Total	%	Cum %
Sh. 0 - 99.9	2	1	1	1				4	5.2	5.2
100 - 199.9	1	4	6	1	2	1		15	19.5	24.7
200 - 299.9		1	7	7	3	2	2	22	28.6	53.2
300 - 399.9			4	2	2	1	4	17	22.1	75.3
400 - 599.9			1	1	2	3	4	11	14.3	89.6
600 - 999.9				2				4	5.2	94.8
1,000 - 1,999.9				1		1	1	3	3.9	98.7
2,000 - 2,999.9								1	1.3	100.0
3,000 +										
Total Households	3	11	19	13	12	12	7	77	100.0	
Percentage	3.9	14.3	24.6	16.9	15.6	15.6	9.1	100.0		

B. DEPENDENT OR SEMI-DEPENDENT HOUSEHOLDS

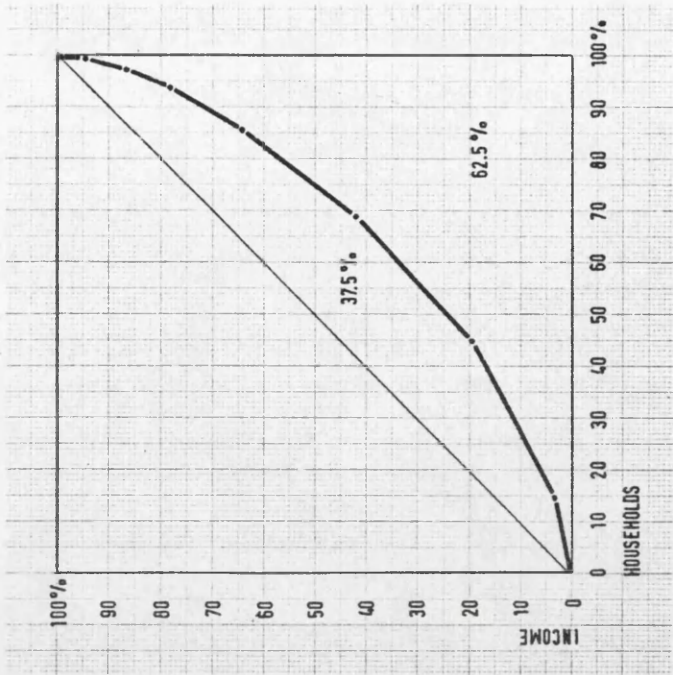
Av. Person in Month. Inc.	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	12 +	Total	%	Cum %
Sh. 0 - 99.9	4	6	6	1				17	24.2	24.2
100 - 199.9	9	15	4	1		1		20	42.2	66.2
200 - 299.9	6	4	3					13	18.6	85.0
300 - 399.9	1	1	3		4			9	12.5	97.6
400 - 599.9										
600 - 999.9					1			1	1.4	100.0
1,000 - 1,999.9										
2,000 - 2,999.9										
3,000 +										
Total Households	20	26	16	2	5	1		70	100.0	
Percentage	28.6	37.1	22.9	2.9	7.1	1.4		100.0		

C. TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS

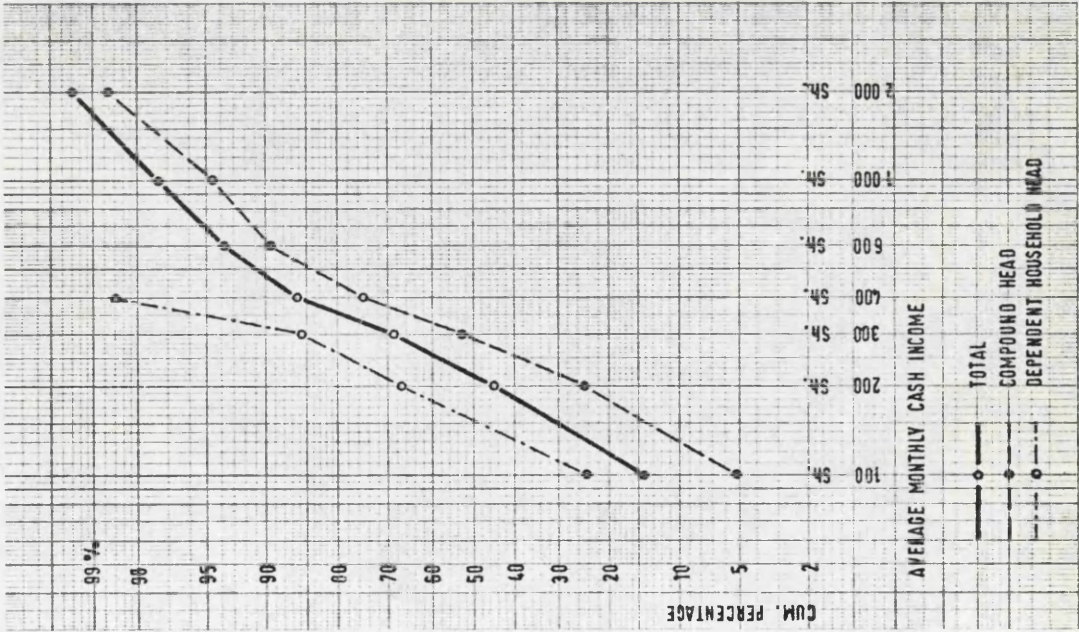
Av. Person in Month. Inc.	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	12 +	Total	%	Cum %
Sh. 0 - 99.9	6	7	6	2				21	14.3	14.3
100 - 199.9	10	19	10	2	2	2		45	30.6	44.9
200 - 299.9	6	5	10	7	3	2	2	35	23.8	68.7
300 - 399.9	1	5	5	2	5	4	4	26	17.7	86.4
400 - 599.9		1	1	1	2	3	4	11	7.5	93.9
600 - 999.9			2					5	3.4	97.3
1,000 - 1,999.9				1		1	1	3	2.0	99.3
2,000 - 2,999.9								1	0.7	100.0
3,000 +										
Total Households	23	37	35	15	17	13	7	147	100.0	
Percentage	15.6	25.2	23.8	10.2	11.6	8.8	4.6	100.0		



GRAPH A.5.2 Income Distribution (Lorenz Curve) Zaria



GRAPH A.5.1 Distribution of Household Income in Zaria



See Table A.5.6 on page

TABLE A.6.1 PRODUCTION, EXPORT AND CONSUMPTION OF SAWWOOD IN NIGERIA

	Production cu.m	Export cu.m	Home Consumption cu.m
1960	-	62,302	
1961	-		
1962	-		
1963	198,240	77,228	121,012
1964	209,568	76,314	133,254
1965	288,864	81,751	207,113
1966	320,000	74,000	246,000
1967	226,560	52,521	174,039
1968			
1969			
1970			

Source: "Tropical Timber" Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Paris 1961-1969

TABLE A.6.2 CONSUMPTION OF SAWWOOD BY END USES IN PERCENTAGE

COLUMN	1 West Africa 1959/61	2 Nigeria 1962/63	3 Nigeria 1964
Construction Industry	73	82	80
Furniture Industry	15	10	12
Packing and other use	12	8	6
Engineering (Bridges)	-	-	2
Total	100	100	100

Source: Column 1 and 2 "Timber Trends and Prospects in Africa"

United Nation FAO Rome, 1967 pp.

Column 3 National Income Estimates by the Fed.

Department of Statistics 1964. (Unpublished)

TABLE A.6.3 Production and Import of Cement in Tons

	Production	Per cent	Import	Per cent	Total Supply	Per cent
1960	164,000	20.8	626,000	79.2	790,000	100.0
1961	358,000	44.5	446,000	55.5	804,000	"
1962	476,000	58.7	335,000	41.3	811,000	"
1963	518,000	63.3	300,000	36.7	818,000	"
1964	653,000	78.6	178,000	21.4	831,000	"
1965	957,000	85.0	171,000	15.0	1,128,000	"
1966	986,000	86.7	151,000	13.3	1,137,000	"
1967	722,000	84.3	134,000	15.7	856,000	"
1968	565,000	86.3	90,000	13.7	655,000	"
1969	557,000	84.4	103,000	15.6	660,000	"
1970	567,000	96.1	459,000	45.9	1,046,000	"

Source: Fed. Office of Statistics, Lagos, Nigeria Digest of Statistics, Vol. 20, Apr. 1971 Table 5.4 p. 20

TABLE A.6.4 Steel Import and Consumption 1965 and 1970 '000 Tons

	1965	1970
1 Tubes	99.3	223.9
2 Wire Rod and Bars	51.3	75.0
3 Sections	24.1	51.9
4 Sheets (Uncoated)	36.9	44.6
5 Sheets Galv. and Corrugated in Nigeria	7.0	40.0
6 Sheets Galvanised Flat	3.9	3.9
7 Plates	7.2	19.4
8 Tinplates	9.3	12.2
9 Wire	2.1	6.4
10 Metal Strips	1.9	6.0
11 Other Steel	7.2	6.3
Total	246.3	439.6

TABLE A.6.5 Steel Processing from Imported Material in 1970 '000 Tons

	1970
1 Galvanising and Corrugating Sheets	40.0
2 Tubes from Metal Strips	6.0
3 Re-Rolling Bars or Sections	75.0
4 Enamelware Industry	35.0
Total	156.0

Source: Tables A.6.4 and A.6.5 British Steel Corporation, "Nigeria: Economic Prospects and Steel Import Potentials in 1975" Compiled by Ifor A. Ffowcs Williams, London, Sep. 1971 (Unpublished Report) pp. 16-17

TABLE A.6.6 Estimated Consumption of Steel Products by Main Nigerian Industries in 1970

'000  
tons

Type of Industry	Tubes & Pipes	Bars & Rods	Sections	Sheets	Corrugated Iron Roofing Sheets	Plate	Tin Plate	Wire	Other Steel	Total	Percentage
1.Construction	65.0	70.0	27.0	4.0	40.0	8.0	-	-	-	214.0	43.7
2.Oil Industry	160.0	-	10.0	-	-	7.0	-	-	-	177.0	36.1
3.Enamelware	-	-	-	35.0	-	-	-	-	-	35.0	7.1
4.Commercial Vehicles	-	-	10.0	5.0	-	5.0	-	-	-	20.0	4.1
5.General Engineering	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.0	-	-	6.0	-	-	23.0	4.7
6.Other Industries	-	-	-	2.0	-	-	6.0	6.0	7.0	21.0	4.3
Total	230.0	75.0	52.0	48.0	40.0	20.0	12.0	6.0	7.0	490.0	100.0
Percentage	46.9	15.3	10.6	9.8	8.2	4.1	2.4	1.3	1.4	100.0	-

Source: British Steel Corporation, Marketing Service (Export) "Nigeria Economic Prospects and Steel Import Potentials in 1975" Compiled by Ifor A. Ffowcs Williams London, Sep. 1970 (unpublished Report) p. 15.

TABLE A.6.7 Federal Work Register for Building and Civil Engineering Contractor in 1970

	Category A Up to £N.10,000		Category B £N.10,000-£N.50,000		Category C £N.50,000-£N.100,000		Category D Over £N.100,000	
	Building Contr.	Civil Eng. Contr.	Building Contr.	Civil Eng. Contr.	Building Contr.	Civil Eng. Contr.	Building Contr.	Civil Eng. Contr.
Expatriate	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	20
Indigenous	778	9	198	20	21	3	22	17
Total	778	9	198	20	21	3	39	37

Source: Pearson, R. Limitations of the Choice of Techniques in the Construction Industry in Developing Countries: A CASE STUDY of Nigeria. Unpublished M.A. Dissertation University of Sussex 1972 p. 47.

TABLE A.6.8 Structural Development of 77 Surveyed Compounds from 17th December 1963 to 1st November 1968

	Total number of Rooms 1st Nov. 1968		No. of Rooms built between 1963 - 1968		No. of Rooms disappeared between 1963 - 1968		No. of Rooms with Roof-structure converted between 1963-1968		Total No. of Rooms 17th Dec. 1963		No. of Rooms Decreased 1963 - 1968		No. of Rooms Increased 1963 - 1968		Total Growth Rate % 1963-1968	Annual Growth Rate %
A. PALACE AREA 35 COMP.	No.	m <sup>2</sup>	No.	m <sup>2</sup>	No.	m <sup>2</sup>	No.	m <sup>2</sup>	No.	m <sup>2</sup>	-		+			
Thatched Roof	181	1,419.6	43	311.8	60	*	25	197.6	223	*	42		66		- 18.8	- 3.9
Mid Roof	322	2,746.4	82	609.0	6		32	272.3	256				51		25.8	5.3
Corrugated I.Rf	61	567.7	19	194.1					10				3		510.0	104.5
Ceil.Gd.Flr.Rm.	6	60.8					3	36.3	3						100.0	
Total	570	4,794.5	144	1,114.9	66		60	506.2	492		-42		+120		15.8	
Increase													78			+ 3.25
B. MARKET AREA																
42 COMP.																
Thatched Roof	180	1,444.4	17	114.2	71				249		69		12		- 27.7	- 5.7
Mid Roof	376	2,985.8	51	381.0	7		15	112.2	364						3.3	0.7
Corrugated I.Rf	87	815.9	15	162.4			43	391.6	29				58		200.0	41.0
Ceil.Gd.Flr.Rm.	14	123.4					4	31.0	10				4		40.0	
Total	657	5,369.5	83	657.6	78		62	534.8	652		-69		+74		0.8	
Increase													5			+ 0.16
C. COMBINED AREA																
77 COMP.																
Thatched Roof	361	2,864.0	60	426.0	131				472		111		78		- 23.5	- 4.8
Mid Roof	698	5,732.2	133	990.0	13		40	309.8	620				109		12.6	2.6
Corrugated I.Rf	148	1,383.6	34	356.5			75	663.9	39				7		279.5	57.3
Ceil.Gd.Flr.Rm.	20	184.2					7	67.3	13						53.8	
Total	1,227	10,164.0	227	1,772.5	144		122	1,041.0	1,144		-111		+194		7.2	
Increase													83			+ 1.47

\* Not known.



TABLE A.6.9

"What Improvement do you Think the Compound most Needs?" Answers:		Number of Compound Heads	Percentage
1	Corrugated Iron Roof	31	40.2
2	More Sleeping Rooms	15	19.5
3	Cement Plaster on Walls	9	11.7
4	Change Thatch to Mud Roof	7	9.1
5	If New Rooms, Walls in Concrete Blocks	6	7.8
6	Cement Floors	1	1.3
7	Outdoor Working Platform from Cement	1	1.3
8	Electricity	1	1.3
9	Bathroom	1	1.3
10	Other Improvement	2	2.6
11	No Response	2	2.6
12	Satisfied	1	1.3
Total Compound Heads		77	100.0

TABLE A.6.10 Age Distribution of Rooms

1	2	3	4	5
Year	Age	No. of Rooms Built	No. of Rooms Survived	Cum. Per- centage
1968/69	< 1	48*	967	100.0
1966/67	1- 2	119	919	95.0
1964/65	3- 4	99	800	82.7
1962/63	5- 6	70	701	72.5
1960/61	7- 8	80	631	62.6
1958/59	9-10	73	551	57.0
1956/57	11-12	79	478	49.4
1954/55	13-14	54	399	41.3
1952/53	15-16	40	345	35.7
1950/51	17-18	37	305	31.5
1948/49	19-20	34	268	27.7
1946/47	21-22	16	234	24.2
1944/45	23-24	7	218	22.5
1942/43	25-26	17	211	21.8
1940/41	27-28	14	194	20.1
1940	+29	180	180	18.6
Sub- total		967		
Unknown Age		299		
Total		1,266		

\*Includes 39 rooms under construction

TABLE A.7.1 Breakdown of Cost by Element of Building Lagos 1961

	In Percentages			
	Rehousing Single- storey	Freehold Single- storey	Rehousing Two- storey	Freehold Two- storey
Foundations and Walls	38.6	35.1	37.1	28.9
Roof	20.3	16.9	7.8	7.0
Doors and Windows	11.2	9.4	9.7	11.6
Sanitary + Electrical Installation	10.4	6.1	9.2	6.9
Finishes to Walls, Floors+Ceilings	8.2	21.8	14.3	23.1
External Services and Drainage	11.3	10.6	10.5	8.1
Stairs and First Floor	-	-	11.4	14.3

Source: United Nations Housing in Africa E/CN/14/HOU/7/Rev. New York, 1965 Table 4.15 p. 106 (Information supplied by Government)

TABLE A.7.2 Institutionalized Savings in Nigeria from Dec. 1962 to Dec. 1970, Cumulative (₦N's thousand)

	Dec. 1962	Dec. 1963	Dec. 1964	Dec. 1965	Dec. 1966	Dec. 1967	Dec. 1968	Dec. 1969 <sup>d</sup>	Dec. 1970
Savings and Time Deposits at Commercial Banks	41,644	47,135	54,214	70,509	81,258	65,621	91,776	107,703	168,359
National Provident Fund	1,092	4,453	8,893	13,664	18,556	21,769	25,442	29,298	33,690
Post Office Savings	2,978	2,964	2,949	2,745	2,657	2,424	2,465	2,534	2,155
Savings with the Nigeria Building Society	-	242	387	481	587	689	883	1,007 <sup>e</sup>	1,320
Premium Bonds, Savings Certs. & Savings Stamps <sup>c</sup>	8	56	88	134	183	211	94	90	67
Total Institutionalized Savings	45,722	54,850	66,531	87,533	103,241	90,714	120,660	140,632	205,891
Gross Domestic Product at Curr. Factor Cost <sup>a</sup>	1,315,400	1,403,200	1,457,000	1,540,300	1,605,000	1,383,300	1,570,400 <sup>b</sup>	1,639,100 <sup>b</sup>	1,742,900
Total Institutionalized Savings as Percentage of GDP	3.5	3.9	4.6	5.7	6.4	6.6	7.7	8.6	11.8

SOURCE: Central Bank of Nigeria, Annual Report and Statement of Accounts 1970 Table 33 p. 65

- a. Annual Abstract of Statistics, Nigeria 1969, Table 13.1 p. 142  
b. Estimates, Second National Development Plan 1970-74, Table 5 p. 51  
c. The issues of Premium Bonds, Savings Certificates and Savings Stamps have discontinued since Jan. 1968  
d. Data for June 1967 to Dec. 1969 excludes the eastern states.  
e. From Feb. 1969, figures have been revised to exclude deposits repayable on demand

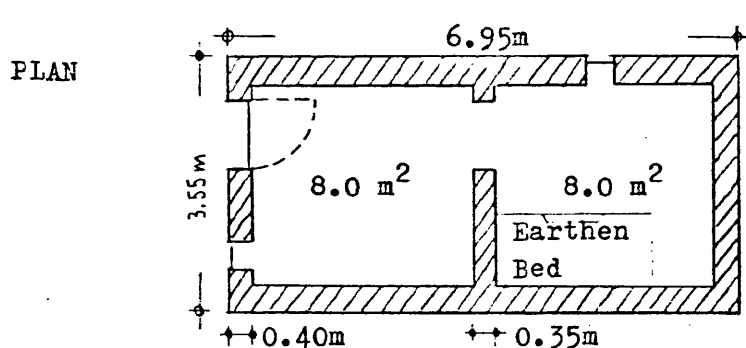
TABLE A.7.3 Analysis of Current Level of Loans and Advances classified by purpose from Dec. 1961 to Dec. 1970 (₦N's thousand)

Category of Borrower	Dec. 1961	Dec. 1962	Dec. 1963	Dec. 1964	Dec. 1965	Dec. 1966	Dec. 1967	Dec. 1968	Dec. 1969	Dec. 1970
General Commerce	20,552	30,834	37,526	36,214	30,633	91,684 <sup>a</sup>	82,471	58,868	63,293	83,771
Manufacturing	3,296	5,857	9,535	13,131	14,500	19,560	19,802	18,516	20,948	38,194
Real Estate and Construction	5,541	5,185	6,444	5,760	6,469	12,767 <sup>d</sup>	11,182	9,932	8,836	12,978
Transport and Communication	-	-	-	-	-	5,137	4,361	4,580	4,914	9,487
Personal and Professional	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,636	3,607	5,750	11,630
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	12,614	18,039	19,672	42,527	53,412	2,423 <sup>a</sup>	1,851	1,924	2,185	3,496
Credit and Financial Institutions	2,432	868	1,324	3,648	1,618	3,788 <sup>b</sup>	4,569	4,565	2,368	1,361
Government	851	737	694	933	990	629	836	1,433	2,445	648
Mining and Quarrying	474	526	577	577	644	734	996	607	1,542	3,292
Public Utilities	102	178	980	779	1,644	579	1,743	1,192	838	339
Miscellaneous	14,128	14,811	12,716	18,837	25,118	11,744 <sup>c</sup>	6,038	7,635	8,246	10,479
Total	59,990	77,035	89,468	122,406	135,028	149,045	137,485	112,859	121,365	175,675

SOURCE: Central Bank of Nigeria, Annual Reports and Statement of Accounts 1963-1970

- a. Revised to include loans for financing export of agricultural products which were formerly classified as "agricultural loans".  
b. Includes call money outside Central Bank  
c. Loans to fishing undertakings and real estate formerly included in this category have been reclassified as shown above.  
d. Includes loans for real estate; before Dec. 1966 construction only.

TABLE A 7.4. COSTS OF CONSTRUCTION IN ZARIA WALLED CITY OCT. 1968



In Shillings

Two-roomed Building with 3 different roof types.

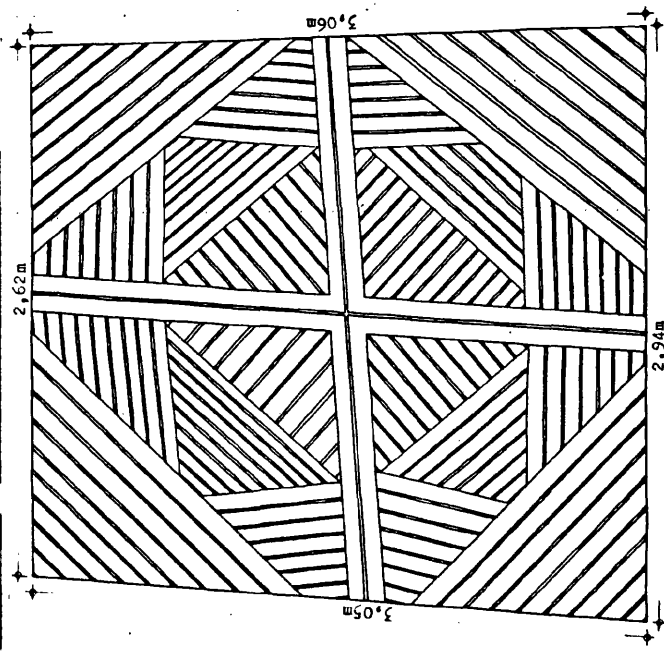
Height of mud walls 2.80m.

ELEMENT OF BUILDING	Thatched Roof			Mud Roof			Corr.Iron Roof		
	Min <sup>a</sup>	Max <sup>b</sup>	%Max	Min	Max	%Max	Min	Max	%Max
<b>WALLS</b> ( 26.3 m <sup>3</sup> mud) <sup>d</sup>									
Lintels	14	192 <sup>c</sup>	31.3						
" + Shear Reinforcement				38	220	25.5	38	220	15.3
<b>ROOF</b>									
Beams, Thatch + Rope	163	235	38.5						
Azara Beams				338 <sup>e</sup>	459	53.1			
" + Corr.Iron Sheets							762	1,030	71.8
<b>DOOR AND WINDOWS</b>									
1 Door 0.85 x 2.00 m	45	45	7.3	45	45	5.2	45	45	3.1
2 Windows 0.4 x 0.4 m									
<b>FINISHES</b>									
Floor Cement Screed	62	140	22.9	62	140	16.2	62	140	9.8
Int. Walls Whitewash									
Out. Waterproof. Plaster									
<b>TOTAL</b>	284	612	100.0	483	864	100.0	907	1,435	100.0
<b>COST PER sq.m. in Sh.</b>	17.7	38.2		30.2	54.0		56.7	89.7	
<b>% OF MATERIAL COST</b>			46.4			55.8			63.1
<b>% OF LABOUR COST</b>			53.6			44.2			36.9
<b>IMPROVEMENTS</b>									
Flat Mud Roof <sup>f</sup>				256	398				
Corr.Iron Roof <sup>g</sup>							420	571	
<b>TOTAL in Sh.</b>				256	398		420	571	
<b>COST PER sq.m. in Sh.</b>				16.0	24.9		26.5	35.7	

<sup>a</sup> Material Cost only      <sup>b</sup> Material and Labour Cost      <sup>c</sup> Labour Cost, experienced builder c. 10 shillings per day, assistant builder 6 shillings per day and unskilled labourer c. 3 shillings per day.      <sup>d</sup> Material for mud walls are taken from a dilapidated hut inside the compound; Extras will have to be allowed if mud is carried from borrow-pit to the compound.

<sup>e</sup> See page .      <sup>f</sup> Change thatch into mud roof.      <sup>g</sup> Corr.iron sheets on top of Mud roof.

DIAGRAM A.7.1 Construction of Vaulted Mud Roof



Underside of Vaulted Mud Roof Construction

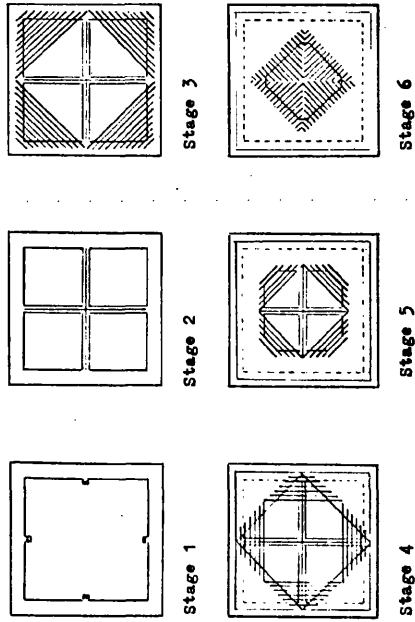


TABLE A.7.5 Number of Azara Beams Needed for Mud Roof Construction

Stage	No. of Beams		m.	No. of Beams @ 2.3m long
1	8	In lower part of double arch and as additional shear reinforcement in walls. Total length	41.4	18
2	16	In double arch (daurin gaga)	36.8	16
3	36	Varying between 2.3m + 0.6m Total length	56.8	25
4	60	Varying between 1.1m + 0.6m Total length	46.6	20
5	30	Varying between 1.6m + 0.6m Total length	33.5	15
6	50	Varying between 1.0m + 0.6m Total length	37.7	16
Total number of azara beams average length 2.3m				110

TABLE A.7.2 Direction and Distribution of Internal Subsidy

No	No	No. of Rooms	sq.m. Floor Area	Shillings
<b>FULLY SUBSIDIZED</b>				
4	Compound Heads	5	CH's Sons' Fam.	12
2	CH's.	"	CH's full Brs' Sons' Fam.	3
1	CH.	"	CH's full Sis' Sons' Fam.	1
1	CH.	"	CH's full Sisters' Fam.	1
1	CH.	"	CH's Father's Fam.	1
1	CH.	"	CH's Clients' Fam.	1
1	CH's Sons' Fam.	"	CH's Fam.	1
1	CH's full Brs' Sons' Fam.	"	CH's full Brothers' Fam.	1
TOTAL				21
<b>PARTLY SUBSIDIZED *</b>				
5	Compound Heads	6	CH's full + half Brs' Fam.	17
1	CH.	"	CH's full Sis' Sons' Fam.	3
1	CH.	"	CH's Mother's Brs' Fam.	3
2	CH's Sons' Fam.	"	CH's Fam.	3
1	CH's full Brs' Fam.	"	CH's full Brs' Sons' Fam.	1
TOTAL				27
<b>NOT SUBSIDIZED BY COMPOUND HEAD</b>				
9	CH's full and half Brothers' Fam.			15
7	CH's Sons' Fam.			23
5	CH's full Brothers' Sons' Fam.			6
1	CH's full Brothers' Fam. and			1
1	CH's full Brothers' Sons' Fam.			1
TOTAL				45

\* At least one quarter of the total cost.

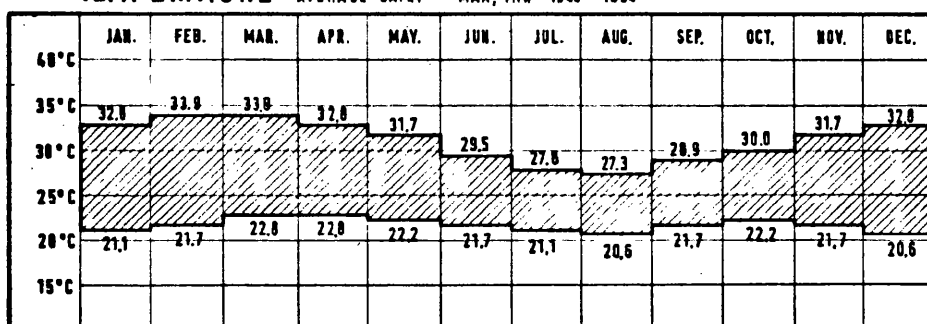
TABLE A.7.6 The Financing of Houses

	No. of Loans	Gifts+ Grants	Shillings	Per Cent
<b>New Construction</b>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings	10	12	59,684	74.7
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts	2	1	17,230	21.6
Institutional Sources			3,000	3.7
Total Expenditure			79,914	100.0
<b>Improvements</b>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			45,004	90.1
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts		5	4,940	9.9
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			49,944	100.0
<b>Maintenance and Repair</b>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			39,088	92.0
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts		8	3,400	8.0
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			42,488	100.0
<b>Buildings Under Construction</b>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			3,913	90.3
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts			420	9.7
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			4,333	100.0
<b>Miscellaneous Construction</b>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			3,392	100.0
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts				
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			3,392	100.0
<b>Total Building Activities</b>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings	11	25	151,081	83.9
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts	2	1	25,990	14.4
Institutional Sources			3,000	1.7
Total Expenditure			180,071	100.0

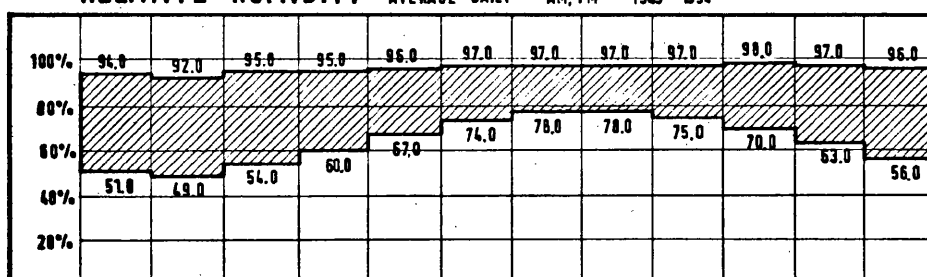
## DIAGRAM A.8.1 Climatic Data Ibadan

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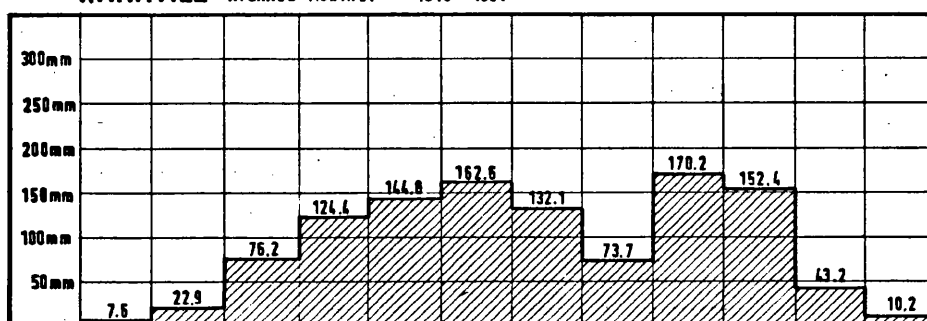


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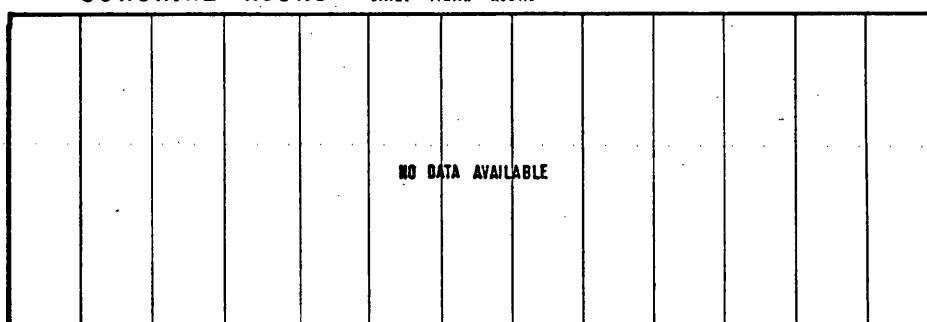
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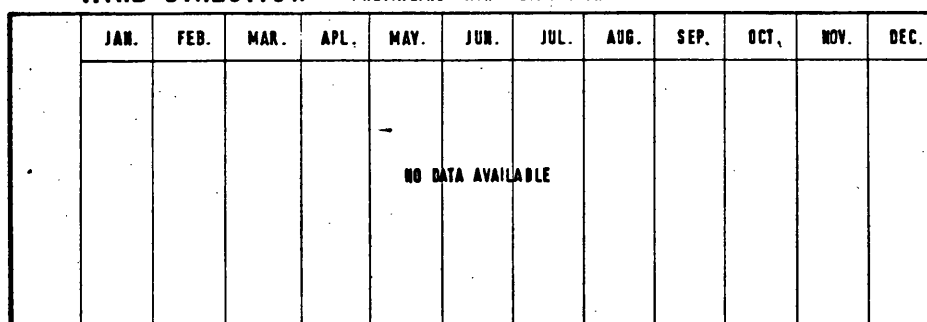
## SUNSHINE HOURS

DAILY MEAN HOURS



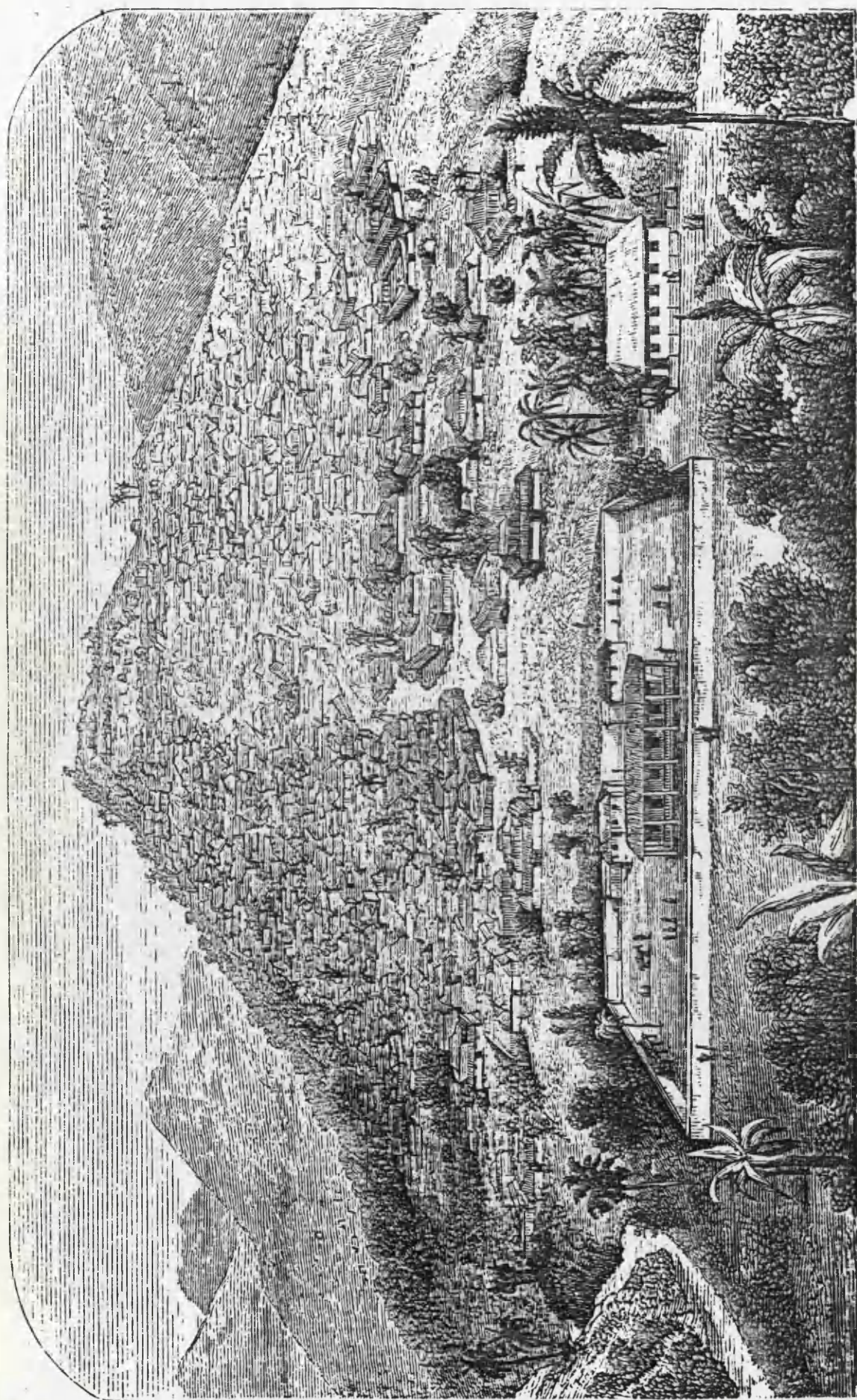
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PREVAILING WIND DIRECTION



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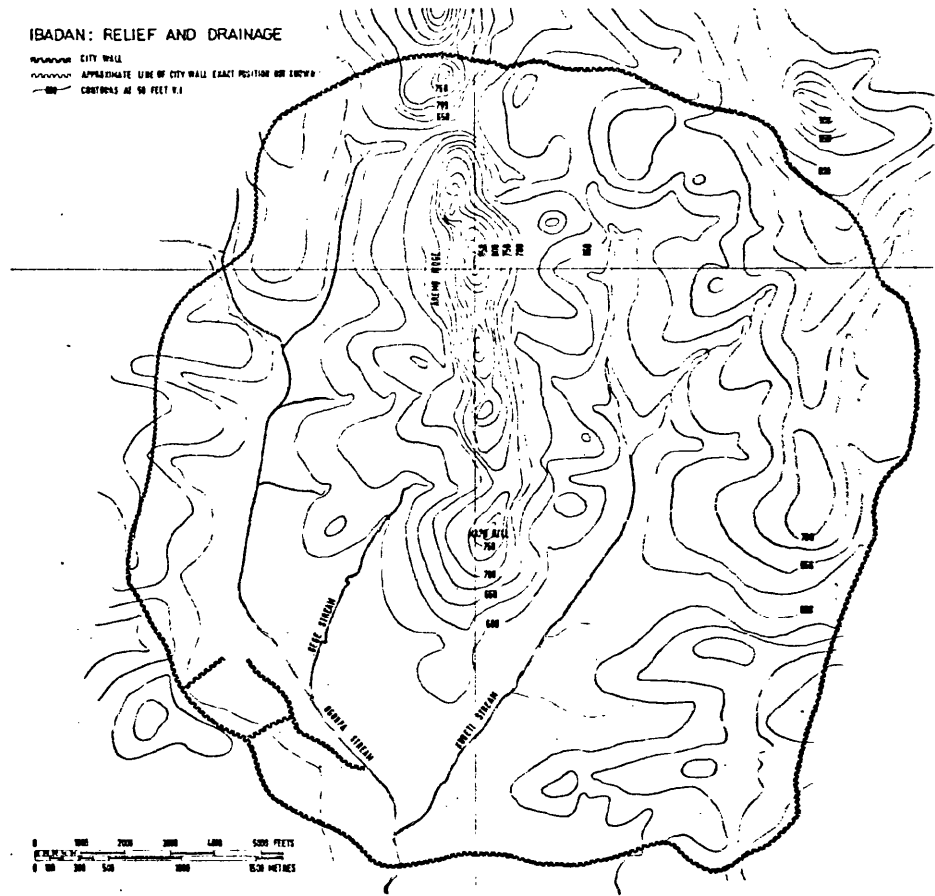


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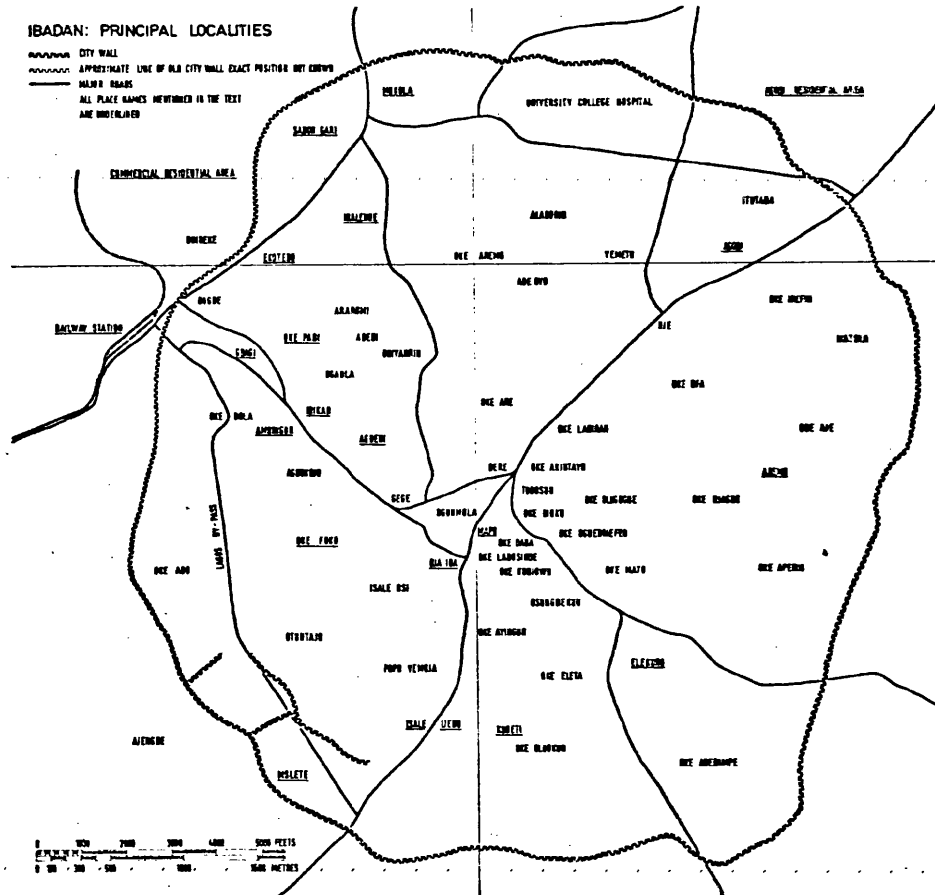
CHURCH AND MISSION HOUSE AT IRADAN. c. 1858



MAP A.8.1 Ibadan: Relief and Drainage

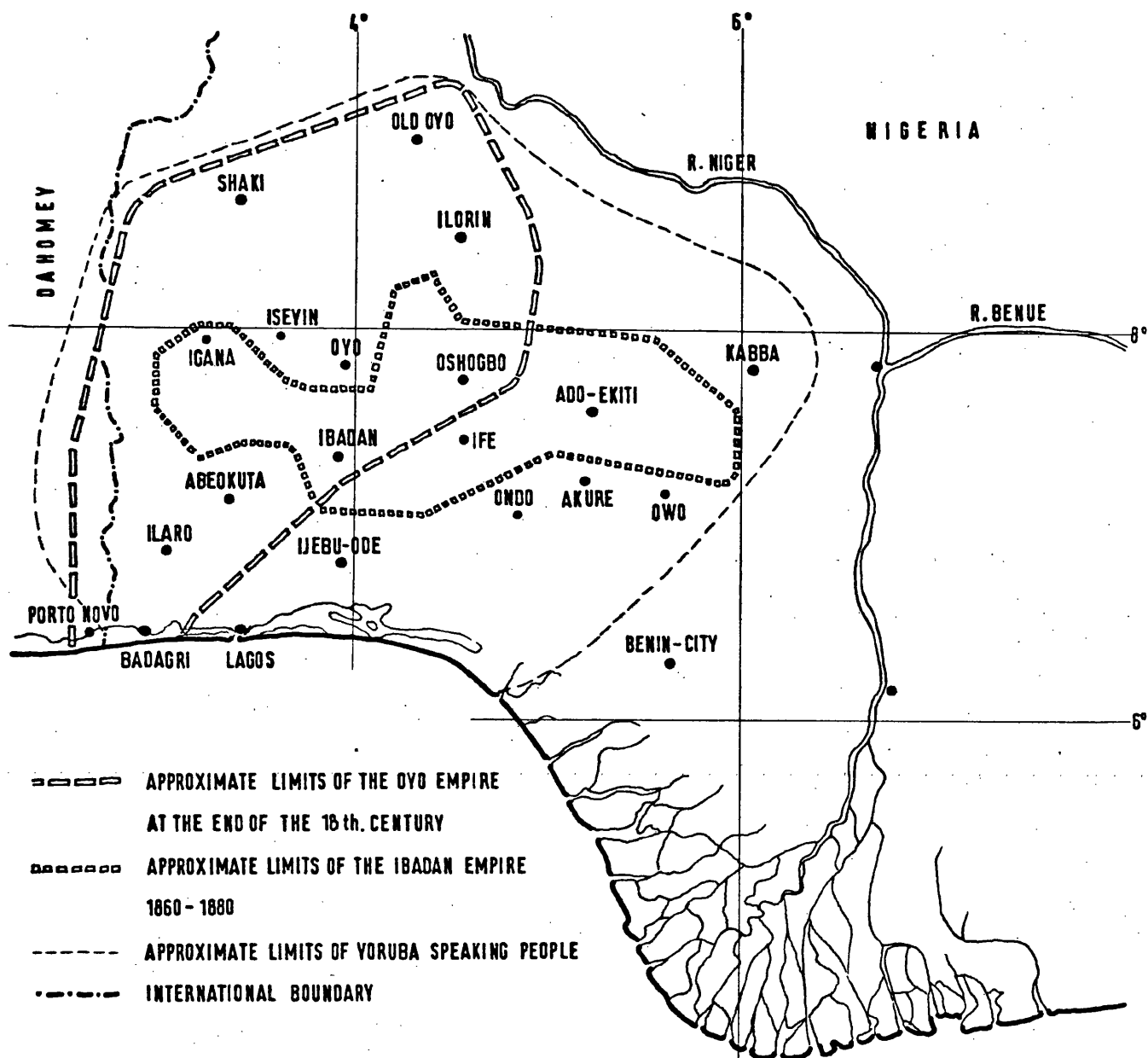


Map A.8.2 Ibadan: Principal Localities



## PLAN A.8.3

## THE OYO AND IBADAN EMPIRES IN THE 18th. AND 19th. CENTURIES



Source: Awe, B. "Ibadan, its Early Beginnings" in The City of Ibadan ed. Lloyd, P.C. Cambridge 1967, p. 12

TABLE A.8.1    Important Rulers of Ibadan

Bashorun* Oluyole	Early	1830's - 1847
Balogun Ibikunle	"	1850's - 1864
Otun Balogun/Bashorun Ogunmola	"	1850's - 1867
Are Onakakanfo* Latosa		1872 - 1885
Balogun Osungbekun		1885 - 1893

Source: Awe, B.A. "The Rise of Ibadan as a Yoruba Power in the 19th Century" Ph.D. Oxford, 1964, p. 361

\* Bashorun and Are Onakakanfo are titles which combine the military and civil leadership of the town. These are imperial titles which can only be taken with the consent of the Alafin of Oyo.

TABLE A.9.1 Type of Land Tenure of 63 Compounds in Ibadan 1968

	Number	Percentage
<u>1. Inheritance</u>		
Houses	32	
Land	4	
Total	36	57.1
<u>2. Purchase</u>		
Houses	1	
Land	13	
Total	14	22.2
<u>3. Allotted</u>		
Houses	-	
Land	11	
Total	11	17.5
<u>4. Long Lease (Rent)</u>		
Houses	2	
Land	-	
Total	2	3.2
Grand Total	63	100.0

TABLE A.9.2 Land Use in Ibadan City 1965

	Hectares	Percentage
1. Cultivated Land	4,049	39.0
2. Built-up Area	3,471	33.4
3. Fallow and Woodland	1,954	18.8
4. Forest Reserves	780	7.5
5. Lakes and Reservoirs	125	1.2
Total	10,380	100.0

Source: OYELESE, J.O. "The Growth of Ibadan City and its Impact on Land-use Patterns, 1961-65" in The Journal of Tropical Geography, Vol. 32, Singapore 1971. This Table represents an extract of Table 1 and 3 on pages 51 and 54.

TABLE A.10.1 Population Growth of Ibadan City

Sources	Number	Average Rate of Growth in Percentages
1. <u>Missionaries Estimates</u>		
Hinderer, D. 1851 1/	60,000	-
Tucker, A.W. 1853 2/	60,000	-
Bowen, T.J. 1856 2/	70,000	-
2. <u>British Government Officials Estimates</u>		
Moloney, A. 1890 2/	150,000	-
Millson, A. 1891 2/	120,000	-
Carter, G. 1893 2/	150,000	-
3. <u>Colonial Administration Official Estimates</u>		
1911 4/	175,000	-
1921 4/	238,000	3.1
1931	387,000	5.0
4. <u>Census Results</u>		
1952 5/	459,000	0.8
1963 5/	627,000	2.9

Footnotes 1-6 see text Chapter 3.

TABLE A.D.2 Area, Population and Number of Houses in Ibadan City

Column	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Ward	Area Hect.	Popula- tion	Pers. P. Hectare	No. of Houses	Houses P. Hectare	Pers. P. House
GROUP I							
	C.1	15.4	11,557	750	307	20	38
	C.2	17.8	16,437	923	598	34	27
	N.1	33.2	16,307	491	595	30	17
	I.2	29.9	9,446	316	539	18	17
	N.W.1	16.2	6,820	421	378	23	18
	E.1	35.2	12,856	365	754	21	17
	E.2	20.2	7,595	376	500	15	25
	S.1	32.8	11,391	347	725	22	16
	S.2	21.4	7,897	369	634	30	12
	S.W.1	44.5	15,200	342	793	18	19
	S.W.2	25.9	6,132	314	564	22	14
GROUP I	Total	292.5	123,168	473	6,597	23	19
GROUP II							
	E.3	39.7	9,122	230	639	16	14
	E.4	76.9	7,028	91	470	6	15
	E.5	40.1	9,850	246	740	18	13
	E.6	111.7	9,825	68	430	4	22
	E.7	67.6	12,045	178	750	11	16
	E.8	19.4	8,646	446	422	21	20
	E.9	32.6	7,963	224	521	14	15
	S.4	121.0	15,120	125	585	5	26
	S.6	131.9	11,365	86	564	7	12
	S.W.3	48.6	20,913	430	1,175	24	18
	S.W.4	52.6	13,743	261	759	14	18
	S.W.5	26.3	12,173	463	532	20	22
	R.W.2	21.4	13,658	638	617	29	22
	R.W.3	47.3	26,659	568	1,460	24	23
GROUP II	Total	840.1	178,316	212	9,767	12	18
GROUP III							
	N.3	133.5	20,503	154	800	6	26
	N.4	135.6	15,964	118	850	6	19
	N.5	617.1	20,420	33	692	1	29
	E.9	129.5	9,206	71	454	3	20
	S.5	75.3	7,808	104	377	5	21
	S.7	125.4	11,654	93	559	3	32
	S.W.6	21.4	55,214	2,580	554	26	100
	S.W.7	229.4	70,687	308	650	3	109
	I.W.4	52.6	6,913	131	418	8	16
	N.W.5	65.1	3,900	61	476	7	8
	N.W.6	118.2	5,602	47	300	3	19
GROUP III	Total	1,703.1	227,951	134	5,930	4	38
GROUP IV							
	N.6	784.3	45,964	59	1,061	1	43
	S.W.8	346.4	33,687	97	792	2	42
	S.W.9	1,942.5	15,362	8	545	-	28
	Abadina	3,854.2	7,632	2	-	-	-
GROUP IV	Total	6,927.4	102,645	15	-	-	-
GRAND TOTAL		9,763.1	632,550	648	24,689	25	26

Some Additional Notes on Table A.10.2

Sources and Reliability of Data

Areas per ward given in column 2 were obtained from the Ibadan Townplanning Authority and checked against the map of "Ibadan and Environs, 1:12,500, Sheet 2, Second Edition 1967". The population per ward in column 3 are taken from a mimeographed edition of the Population Census of Nigeria 1963 Vol.1 page 56, published by the Federal Office of Statistics, Lagos 1968. The number of houses per ward in column 5 was supplied by the Ibadan District Council, and allegedly represents the number of houses in the city in 1962.

The population figures and number of houses per ward, which cannot be checked, are most likely to be inaccurate, particularly in wards S.W.6, S.W.7, and to a lesser extent in wards N.6, S.W.8, S.W.9, and at Abadina, being highly erroneous and incomplete both for population and for houses. Apart from the above-mentioned wards the consistency in the number of persons per hectare (column 4), number of houses per hectare (column 6), and number of persons per house (column 7) cannot be dismissed as entirely improbable, although these ratios only give a very rough approximation of the situation in the city in the early 1960's.

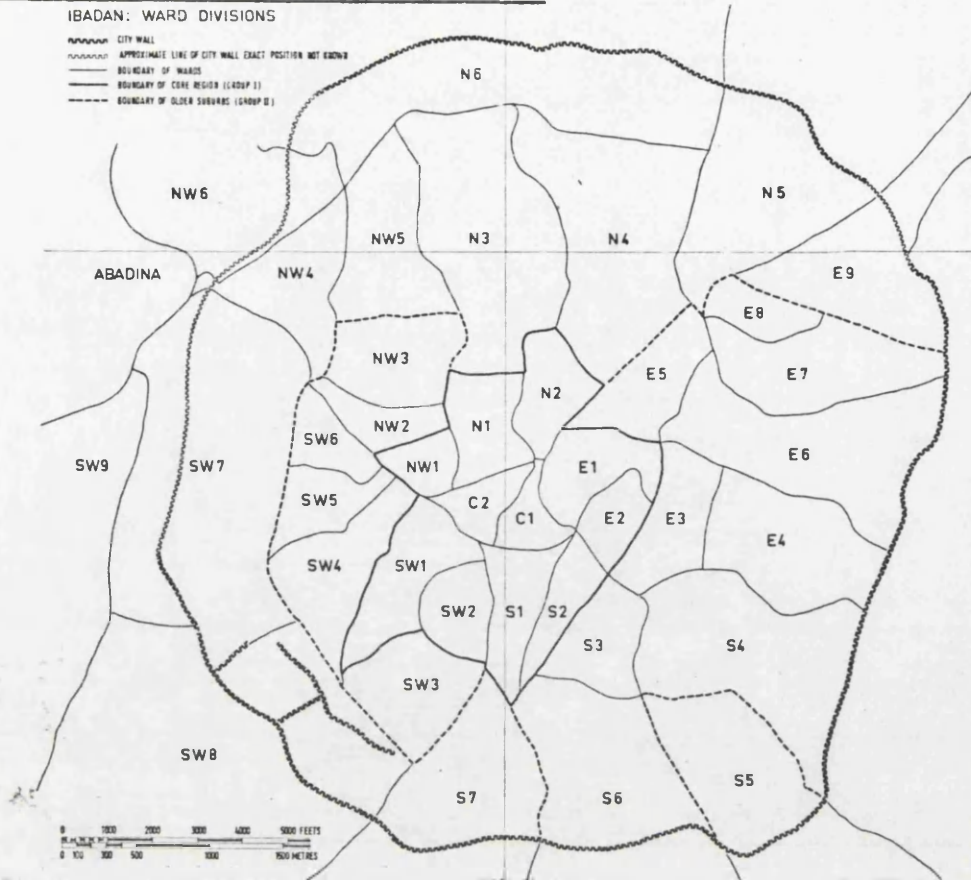
Grouping of Wards

The grouping of 40 city wards into 4 major divisions corresponds roughly with the three periods of development in Ibadan distinguished on page . The first group of 11 wards covers approximately the area on which Ibadan was built in the first half of the nineteenth century. The second group of 14 wards represents the area which developed in the second half of the nineteenth century prior to the British occupation in 1893.

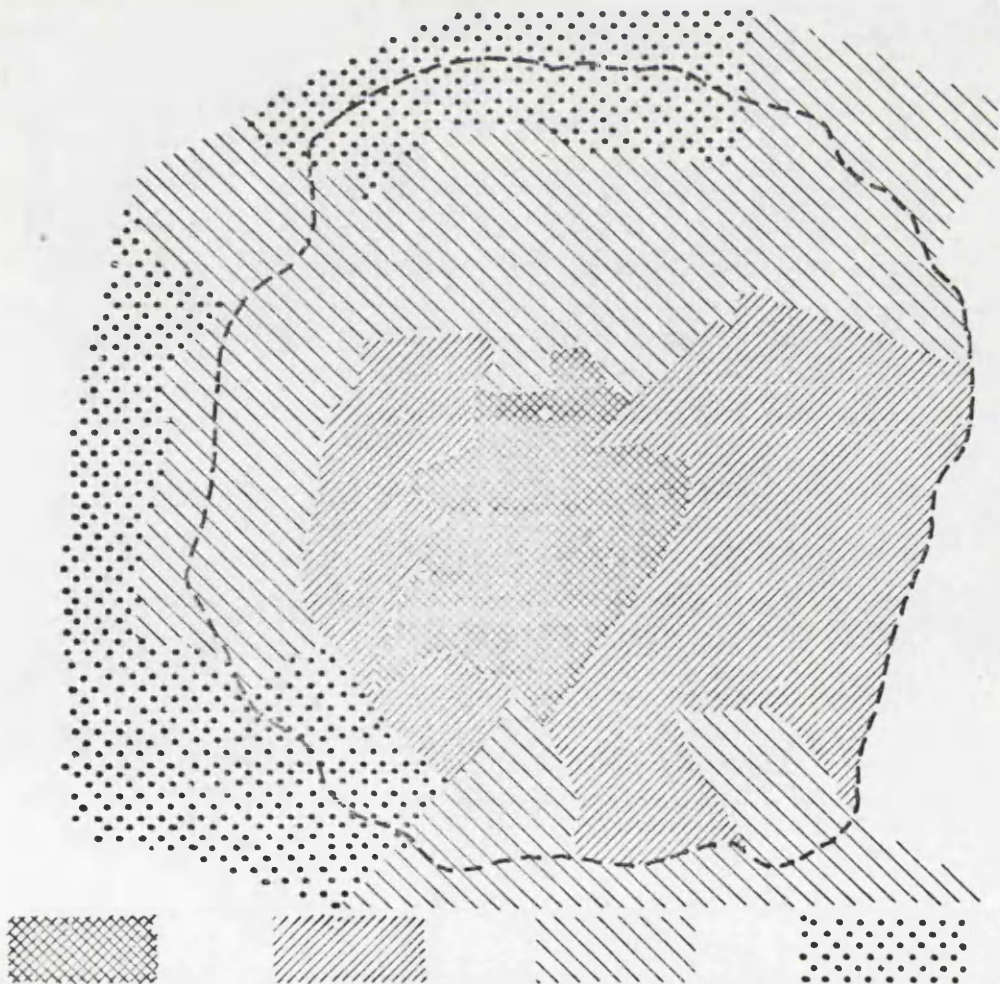
The third group of 11 wards is roughly identical with the area that developed during the colonial period up to the Second World War, while the fourth group of 4 wards covers the areas which have been occupied since the late 1940's except for the European reservations.

The average population density per house of 18 to 22 persons seems to be fairly stable throughout the city (excluding wards S.W.6 and S.W.7 in group three). However, the average number of persons per house is predominantly immigrant areas to the west of the old city is most likely around 22 persons, while the average number in the older parts of the city, with generally smaller houses, is in the region of between 18 and 19 persons per house.

MAP A.10.1 Ibadan: Division into Wards



MAP A.10.2 Population Density in Ibadan



420 PERS. PER HECTARE  
23 HOUSES PER HECTARE

210 PERS. PER HECTARE  
12 HOUSES PER HECTARE

130 PERS. PER HECTARE  
4 HOUSES PER HECTARE

15 PERS. PER HECTARE  
1.5 HOUSES PER HECTARE

DIAGRAM A.10.1      Age and Sex Distribution

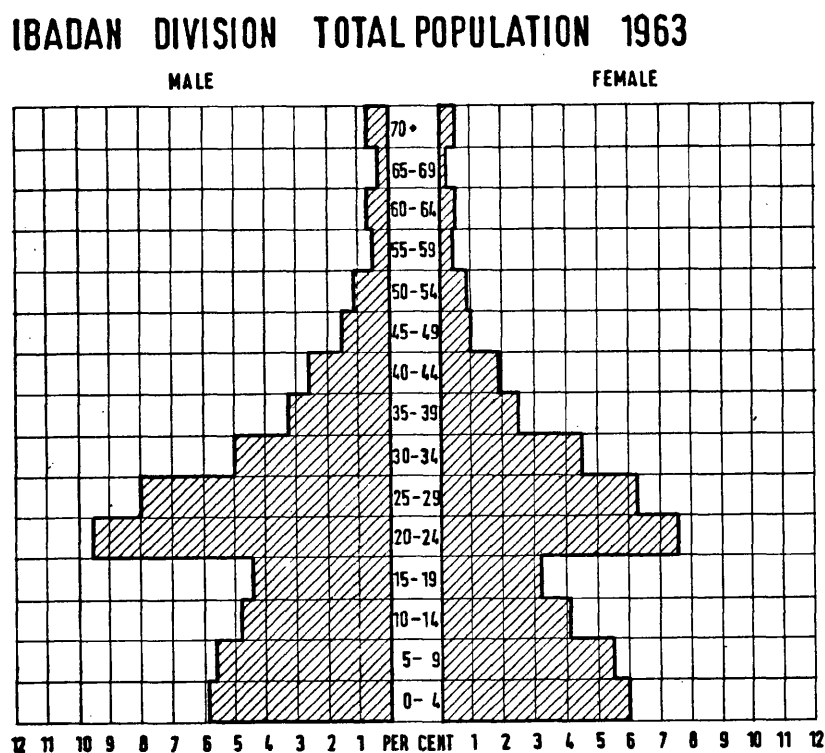


DIAGRAM A.10.2      Age and Sex Distribution

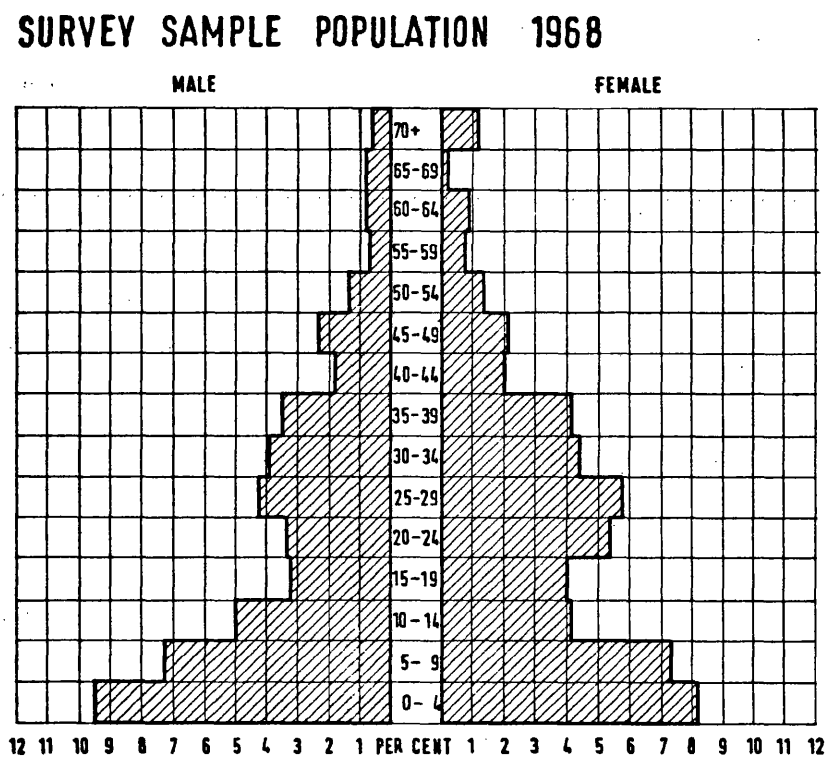




TABLE A.10.3 Ethnic Composition and Birthplace of Household Heads

	Number		Percentage	
Household Head Yoruba born in Ibadan		160		54.2
Household Head Yoruba born outside Ibadan				
Abeokuta	29		9.8	
Ijebu	15		5.1	
Oyo	11		3.7	
Lagos	10		3.4	
Ilesha	9		3.0	
Ilorin	6		2.0	
Ekiti	6		2.0	
Ede	4		1.3	
Ondo	4		1.3	
Owo	3		1.0	
Oshogbo	3		1.0	
Other Yoruba towns and villages	14		4.8	
Unknown	1		0.3	
Total Yoruba H.H. born outside Ibadan		115		39.0
Total Yoruba Household Heads		275		93.2
H.H. from other southern Nigerian Tribes		14		4.8
H.H. from northern Nigeria		6		2.0
Total Household Heads		295		100.0

TABLE A.11.1 Land Use: Open Area

Category of Land	No. of Comp.	sq.m.	Per cent	Av. Area sq.m.
1 Unpaved Area	63	3,878	67.2	61.5
2 Cement Platforms	54	1,549	26.8	28.7
3 Lit-lat. + Washplaces	35	162	2.8	4.6
4 Storage Space	38	164	3.2	4.8
Total Open Area	63	5,773	100.0	91.6

TABLE A.11.2 Distribution of Household Size

		Comp. Head's Househ.			Dependent Househ.			Tenant Househ.			Total Househ.		
No.of Person	Hh. Group	No.of Hh.	Per cent	No.of Person	No.of Hh.	Per cent	No.of Person	No.of Hh.	Per cent	No.of Person	No.of Hh.	Per cent	No.of Person
1	1- 2		9.5		1	16.7	1	40	53.2	40	41	30.5	41
2		6		12	17		34	26		52	49		98
3	3- 4	4	20.6	12	25	44.4	75	12	25.8	36	41	31.6	123
4		9		36	23		92	20		80	52		208
5	5- 6	5	17.5	25	23	27.8	115	9	11.3	45	37	18.6	185
6		6		36	7		42	5		30	18		108
7	7- 8	6	20.6	42	3	10.2	21	8	6.5	56	17	10.9	119
8		7		56	8		64				15		120
9	9-10	5	15.9	45	1	0.9	9	2	2.4	18	8	4.7	72
10		5		50				1		10	6		60
11	11-12	2	6.4	22				1	0.8	11	3	1.7	33
12		2		24							2		24
12+	12+	6	9.5	94							6	2.0	96
Total		63	100.0	454	108	100.0	453	124	100.0	378	295	100.0	1,285
Av.				7.2			4.2			3.0			4.4

TABLE A.11.4 Male Members of 63 Compounds by Relationship to Compound Head

	Marital Status					Age Group									
	Single	Married	Divorced	Widowed	Temp. Absent	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60+
1 Compound Head	93	58	1	1	1	26	46	20	11	2	15	19	20	5	59
2 CH's Sons	14	12				5	8	1							105
3 CH's Sons	7	1				4	2	1	1						6
4 CH's Daughters	2					1									2
5 CH's Daughters	116	71	1	1	1	36	57	22	27	21	20	5	13		153
6 CH's Full Brothers	5	30	2	3	3	4	16	11	5	1					57
7 CH's Full Brothers	34	10		1	1	17	10	6	11						44
8 CH's Full Brothers	12					6	6								12
9 CH's Full Brothers	6	1				2	2	1	2						17
10 CH's Full Sisters	58	41	2	4	25	19	11	29	11	5	1	10			110
11 CH's Half Brothers	9	8	1	1	1	1	6	7	3	2					13
12 CH's Half Brothers	22	5			4	12	5	6							27
13 CH's Half Brothers	1				1	1									1
14 CH's Half Sisters	33	13	1	1	5	14	11	13	3	2					45
15 CH's Father's Brother	5	14	1	3		4	2	9	5						20
16 CH's Father's Brothers	11					2	8	1							11
17 CH's Father's Brs'Sons		1													1
18 CH's Father's Brs'Son	3					2	1								3
19 CH's Father's Brs'Sons	2	2				1	1								2
20 CH's Father's Sisters	2					1	1								2
21 CH's Father's Sisters	3					1	1								2
22 CH's Father's Sisters	24	17	2	4	5	15	6	11	6						43
23 CH's Father's Wives	5	2		1	1	1	4	2							1
24 CH's Mother's Brother	5	2		1	1	1	4	2							7
25 CH's Mother's Brothers	3				2	1	1								3
26 CH's Mother's Brs'Sons	2	1			1	1	1								2
27 CH's Mother's Sisters	11	3	1	1	4	2	5	3							15
28 CH's Half Sisters	1			3				1							1
29 CH's Full Ss'Husb.Wives	1	1		3				1							1
30 CH's Wives	1	1		3				1							2
31 CH's Sons' Wife's Brother	2	1						1							1
32 CH's Concubines	4							1							3
33 CH's Father's Concubines	1							2							4
34 Other CH's Relatives	5	1						2							5
35 Unrelated Males	28	81	1	1	19	3	14	62	28	4					111
36 Unrelated Males	94				48	41	5								92
37 Unrelated Males	122	81	1	1	19	48	24	19	62	28	4				205
38 Unrelated Males	4					1	2	1							2
39 Unrelated Males	1					1	1								1
40 Unrelated Males	6					2	3	1							6
Total	379	229	5	5	32	123	156	82	149	70	31	7	168		

\*Not counted in total population. \*\*1 CH's Son is acting compound head.

TABLE A.11.3 Marital Status of Household Population

a. Compound Head's Households

Age	Male				Female			
	Sing.	Mar.	Div.	Total	Sing.	Mar.	Div.	Total
0-4	35			35	31			31
5-9	37			37	32			32
10-14	27			27	22			22
15-19	23			23	17			17
20-24	15			15	13			13
25-29	6			6	1			1
30-34	4			4	10			10
35-39	1			1	15			15
40-44	1			1	13			13
45-49	1			1	12			12
50-54	1			1	16			16
55-59	7			7	6			6
60-64	7			7	3			3
65-69	8			8	2			2
70+	5			5	1			1
Total	149	62	3	217	101	110	2	217

b. Tenant Households

Age	Male				Female			
	Sing.	Mar.	Div.	Total	Sing.	Mar.	Div.	Total
0-4	40			40	42			42
5-9	27			27	36			36
10-14	22			22	21			21
15-19	8			8	9			9
20-24	4			4	17			17
25-29	1			1	23			23
30-34	1			1	20			20
35-39	1			1	18			18
40-44	8			8	17			17
45-49	8			8	6			6
50-54	5			5	3			3
55-59	1			1	7			7
60-64	2			2	1			1
65-69	1			1	4			4
70+	1			1	1			1
Total	110	88	1	200	111	121	21	253

c. Tenant Households

Age	Male				Female			
	Sing.	Mar.	Div.	Total	Sing.	Mar.	Div.	Total
0-4	48			48	32			32
5-9	27			27	25			25
10-14	16			16	9			9
15-19	9			9	4			4
20-24	9			9	2			2
25-29	9			9	10			10
30-34	1			1	22			22
35-39	1			1	30			30
40-44	1			1	20			20
45-49	10			10	18			18
50-54	6			6	10			10
55-59	1			1	12			12
60-64	1			1	2			2
65-69	1			1	1			1
70+	1			1	1			1
Total	120	79	1	201	75	92	6	177

TABLE A.11.5 Female Members of 63 Compounds by Relationship to Comp. Head

	Marital Status					Age Group								
	SINGLE	MARRIED	DIVORCED	WIDOWED	TEMPORARY	5-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	TOTAL	
1 Compound Head		1		2									3	
2 CH's Daughters	76	7				27	39	13	3	1	1	1	83	
3 CH's Sons'Daughters	21					6	13	2					21	
4 CH's Daughters'Daughters	6					1	5						6	
5 CH's Daughters'Sons'Da.	1					1							1	
Total	104	8		2		35	57	15	3	2	1	1	114	
6 CH's Full Sisters	1	5	1	1					1	6	1		8	
7 CH's Full Sisters'Daughters	2					1	1						2	
8 CH's Full Sisters'Dad'Da.	1					1	1						1	
9 CH's Full Brothers'Daughters	32	2				13	17	2	1	1			34	
10 CH's Full Brs'Daughters'Da.	1					1	1						1	
11 CH's Full Brs'Das'Das'Da.	1					1	1						1	
12 CH's Full Brs'Sons'Daughters	6					4	2						6	
Total	44	7	1	1		18	23	2	2	7	1		53	
13 CH's Half Sisters	7	5				1	5	3	3				12	
14 CH's Half Sisters'Daughters	4					1	1	2					4	
15 CH's Half Brothers'Daughters	12	1				4	8		1				13	
16 CH's Half Brs'Das'Daughters	2					1	1						2	
17 CH's Half Brs'Sons'Daughter	1					1							1	
Total	26	6				8	15	5	4				32	
18 CH's Mother		2		12						1	5	8	14	
19 CH's Father's Wives		1		11					2	7	2	1	12	
Total		3		23					2	8	7	9	26	
20 CH's Mother's Sisters		1		3								4	4	
21 CH's Mother's Sis'Relatives	1	1					1		1				2	
22 CH's Mother's Brs'Daughters	3						2	1					3	
23 CH's Mother's Brs'Das'Da.	1					1							1	
Total	5	2		3		1	3	1	1			4	10	
24 CH's Father's Sister				1						1			1	
25 CH's Father's Sis'Das'Da.	1					1							1	
26 CH's Father's Sis'Sons'Da.	1						1						1	
27 CH's Father's Brs'Daughters	3			1			3				1		4	
28 CH's Father's Brs'Sons'Das.	17					9	5	3					17	
29 CH's Father's Brs'Das'Sos'Das.	2						2						2	
Total	24			2		10	11	3		1		1	26	
30 CH's Wives		91		15			1	14	38	29	8	1	91	
31 CH's Wives'Br's Wife		1							1				1	
32 CH's Sons'Wives		16		4				8	7	1			16	
33 CH's Daughters'Sons'Wife		1						1					1	
34 CH's Full Brothers'Wives		46		2	2			12	25	9	2		48	
35 CH's Full Brs'Sons'Wives		9		1				5	4				9	
36 CH's Half Brothers'Wives		10		3	2			2	10	1			13	
37 CH's Half Brs'Sons'Wives		5		2				4	1				5	
38 CH's Father's Wives'Br's Wife				1					1				1	
39 CH's Father's Wives'Br's So'Wives		2						1	1				2	
40 CH's Father's Brothers'Wives				4						1	2		4	
41 CH's Father's Brs'Sons'Wives		15		1	4			7	7	2			16	
42 CH's Father's Sis'Sons'Wives		2							1	1			2	
43 CH's Father's Brs'Das'Sos'Wives		2							2				2	
44 CH's Mother's Brothers'Wives		1	1	2						3	1		4	
45 CH's Mother's Brs'Sons'Wives		2						1	1				2	
46 CH's Mother's Sis'Sons'Wife		1							1				1	
Total		204	1	13	30		1	56	100	47	13	1	218	
47 CH's Wives'Relatives	4						1	3					4	
48 CH's Wives'Relatives	2					1	1						2	
49 CH's Father's Brs'Sos'Wives Rel.	1						1						1	
50 CH's Mother's Brs'Wives'Rel.		1								1			1	
Total	7	1				1	3	3		1			8	
51 CH's Father's Brs'Sos'Concubine	1							1					1	
52 CH's Concubines'Daughter	1						1						1	
Total	2						1	1					2	
53 Unrelated Males'Wives		91	5	1	16			20	71	3	2	1	97	
54 Unrelated Males'Full Brs'Wife		1						1					1	
Total		92	5	1				21	71	3	2	1	98	
55 Unrelated Males'Daughters	63					31	30	2					63	
Total	63					31	30	2					63	
56 Unrelated Males'Full Brs'Da.	1						1						1	
57 Unrelated Males'Full Sister	1							1					1	
Total	2						1	1					2	
58 Unrelated Males'Mother				1							1		1	
Total				1							1		1	
59 Unrelated Males'Wives'Rel.	6		1	2		1	1	4	1	1	1		9	
Total	6		1	2		1	1	4	1	1	1		9	
60 Other Unrelated Females	4			1				4		1			5	
Total	4			1				4		1			5	
Grand Total	287	323	8	49	46	105	146	118	184	71	26	17	667	

KEY TO TABLE A.11.6 Household Composition

TABLE A.11.6 Household Composition

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	O	Total
1. A	10	1	10																								10	77
A+0	2	2	2																								2	4
A+02	1	3	1																								2	15
A+03	2	4	2																								6	35
A+05	1	6	1																								5	25
A+07	1	8	1																								7	21
A+0 10	1	11	1																								10	23
A+0 16	1	17	1																								16	76
Total Stage 1	19	19																									48	293
2. A+B	1	2	1	1																							2	10
A+B2+T	1	4	1	2																							4	16
A+B+0	2	3	2	2																							6	27
A+B+07	1	9	1	1																							7	40
Total Stage 2	5	5	6																								9	21
3. A+E	5	2	5		5																						10	54
A+E2	1	3	1	2																							3	17
A+E+X	1	3	1	1																							3	8
A+E+0	1	3	1	1																							3	15
A+E+02	1	4	1	1																							2	4
A+E2+0	1	4	1	2																							4	9
A+E+04	1	7	1	1																							4	33
A+E+0 10	1	12	1	1																							10	52
A+E2+V+03	1	8	1	4																							3	35
A+E+I+07	1	11	1	1																							3	31
A+I2+R+02	1	5	1	1																							2	38
A+I+I+0	1	4	1	1																							4	23
Total Stage 3	16	16		19	4	1																					31	327
4. A+E+03	1	6	1	1																							3	24
A+E+0+P	1	6	1	1																							6	47
A+E2+I+32	1	6	1	2																							6	37
A+E+I+J+22	1	6	1	1																							6	26
A+E+I+52+P+J2	1	8	1	2																							8	24
A+I+J+03	1	6	1	1																							3	20
Total Stage 4	6	6	5	8	3	4																					6	39
5. A+P2	1	3	1																								3	22
A+P2+0	1	4	1	2																							4	17
Total Stage 5	2	2		4																							1	39
6. A+K	1	2	1																								2	12
A+E+K	1	3	1																								3	18
A+E2+K3	1	6	1	2																							6	27
A+U+I+04	1	7	1	1																							4	34
A+E2+P2+G+P	1	12	1	1																							12	45
A+E+I+D3+J3+Q	1	10	1	3																							10	48
Total Stage 6	6	6	6	3	6	2	1	5																			4	184
A+	1	2	1																								2	7
A+G+05	1	7	1	1																							5	17
A+I+03	1	5	1	1																							3	16
A+J+U+0	1	4	1	1																							1	13
A+S+U+0	1	4	1	1																							1	19
A+I2+L	1	4	1	1																							4	21
A+I+02	1	4	1	1																							2	18
A+S+66	1	8	1	1																							6	24
A+U+07	1	9	1	1																							7	36
Total	9	9		1	1	2	1	1	2	3	1																25	47
Grand Total	63	113	33	9	5	17	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	124	295

Symbol

- A Compound Head's Family
- B CH's Sons' Fam.
- E CH's Full Brothers Fam.
- F CH's Full Brothers' Sons Fam.
- N CH's Full Brothers' Daughters Fam.
- I CH's Half Brothers Fam.
- J CH's Half Brothers' Sons Fam.
- P CH's Half Brothers' Daughters Fam.
- D CH's Father's Fam.
- Q CH's Father's Brothers Fam.
- K CH's Father's Brothers' Sons Fam.
- R CH's Father's Brothers' Daughters' Sons Fam.
- S CH's Father's Sisters' Sons Fam.
- T CH's Daughters' Sons Fam.
- U CH's Half Sisters Fam.
- L CH's Mother's Brothers Fam.
- M CH's Mother's Brothers' Sons Fam.
- V CH's Mother's Sisters' Sons Fam.
- W CH's Mother's Sisters' Husbands' Sisters' Daughters Fam.
- Y CH's Wives' Brothers Fam.
- Z CH's Father's Wives' Brothers' Sons Fam.
- X Relationship to CH. Uncertain
- O Strangers Fam.

On Table A.11.6 there were 2 households containing parallel cousins and their families (symbol X) who are not included in Stage 6 because these households joined their host compounds increasing the population by immigration rather than by natural growth.

TABLE A.11.7  
Number of Rooms and Floor Area per Household.

	Compound Lead's Hh.			CH's F+H.Brs'Hh.			CH's Sons'Hh.			CH's Brs'Sons'Hh.			CH's F's Brs'Ss'Hh.			Other Related Hh.			Tenant Households			Total Households		
	Rms.	sq.m.	%	Rms.	sq.m.	%	Rms.	sq.m.	%	Rms.	sq.m.	%	Rms.	sq.m.	%	Rms.	sq.m.	%	Rms.	sq.m.	%	Rms.	sq.m.	%
<b>1. LIVING AREA</b>																								
a Sleeping Rms.	240	1,992.6	20.9	82	619.3	6.5	17	127.6	1.3	23	164.1	1.7	25	193.0	2.1	30	211.2	2.2	161	1,328.9	13.9	578	4,636.7	48.7
b Sitting Rms.	25	305.9	3.2	3	39.0	0.4	4	35.9	0.4	1	9.0	0.1	1	9.0	0.1	3	34.5	0.4	13	111.4	1.2	50	544.7	5.7
c Central Halls	66	1,696.2	17.8	6	99.4	1.1	3	75.6	0.8	1	12.4	0.2	2	48.6	0.5	1	61.9	0.7	7	130.8	1.4	86	2,124.9	22.3
d Store Rms.	39	248.2	2.6	1	4.0		2	11.0	0.1	1	3.7		1	11.5	0.1				5	32.4	0.3	49	310.8	3.3
e Empty Rms.	45	301.3	3.2	1	5.5	0.1				3	22.1	0.3				1	7.8	0.1	1	4.8	0.1	51	341.5	3.6
Total	415	4,544.2	47.7	93	767.2	8.1	26	250.1	2.6	29	211.3	2.3	29	262.1	2.8	35	315.4	3.3	187	1,608.3	16.9	814	7,958.6	83.6
<b>2. COMMON R.S.</b>																								
a Ent. Lobbies	52	303.0	3.2	2	10.0	0.1				1	6.8	0.1	3	14.8	0.1	1	5.6	0.1	7	40.0	0.4	66	360.2	4.0
b Passages	14	128.0	1.3				1	1.5		2	10.0	0.1							2	25.2	0.3	19	164.7	1.7
Total	66	431.0	4.5	2	10.0	0.1	1	1.5		3	16.8	0.2	3	14.8	0.1	1	5.6	0.1	9	65.2	0.7	85	544.9	5.7
<b>3. BASIC AUXILIARY FACILITIES</b>																								
a Kitchen	45	334.3	3.5	2	11.8	0.1	1	9.3	0.1	1	5.2								8	44.2	0.5	57	404.8	4.3
b Kitchen Store	4	23.3	0.2																			4	23.3	0.2
c Other Stores	23	109.1	1.2	2	5.0	0.1													6	30.1	0.3	31	144.2	1.5
d Toilet+Baths.	47	112.2	1.2	3	4.7		3	4.3		1	1.3								15	33.5	0.3	69	156.0	1.6
Total	119	578.9	6.1	7	21.5	0.2	4	13.6	0.1	2	6.5	0.1							29	107.8	1.1	161	728.3	7.6
<b>4. COMMERCIAL R.S.</b>																								
a Shops	28	199.1	2.1				1	9.3	0.1							1	15.4	0.2	5	34.3	0.4	35	258.1	2.8
b Stores	4	32.4	0.3																			4	32.4	0.3
Total	32	231.5	2.4				1	9.3	0.1							1	15.4	0.2	5	34.3	0.4	39	290.5	3.1
Grand Total	632	5,785.6	60.7	102	798.7	8.4	32	274.5	2.9	34	234.6	2.5	32	276.9	2.9	37	336.4	3.5	230	1,815.6	19.1	1,099	9,322.3	100.0



TABLE A.12.1 Occupational Pattern Survey Sample

Column	1	2	3	4	5					6					7					8			
	Main Occupation				Sec.Occ.CH.					Sec.Occ.D.HH.					Sec.Occ.T.HH.								
	CH.	DHH	THH	TOTAL H.H.	1	2	3	4	5	*T	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	1	2	3	4	5	T	GRAND TOTAL
1. <u>AGRICULTURE</u>																							
Farmer	9	4	2	15		2	2			4	1	1				2							
Total	9	4	2	15		2	2			4	1	1				2							6
2. <u>ART AND CRAFTS</u>																							
Tailor	4	7	8	19	1		1			2								1	1			2	
Mechanic	1	7	4	12	1					1			1			1							
Carpenter	1	5	5	11															1			1	
Skilled Worker	2	1	6	9	1					1													
Bricklayer	2	5	2	9		1				1	1					1							
Building Cont.	5	2		7							1					1							
Printer	1	2	3	6																			
Barber	1	1	2	4				1		1													
Goldsmith		1	2	3															1			1	
Painter	1		1	2																			
Butcher	1		1	2	1					1													
Other Crafts	1	2	2	5			1			1													
Total	20	33	36	89	4	1	2	1		8	2			1		3			3	1		4	15
3. <u>TRADE</u>																							
Food+Provisions	6	16	18	40	2			1		3	1					1		2				2	
Textiles	1	4	4	9																			
Cooked Food		2	3	5																			
Motor Spare Parts		5		5									1			1							
Shoes			4	4															1			1	
Livestock	1	1	1	3																			
Timber+Fire Wood	1	2		3				1		1													
Mats			2	2																			
Other Trade	3	3	1	7																			
Total	12	33	33	78	2			2		4	1	1				2	2	1				3	9
4. <u>SERVICES</u>																							
Clerk	7	9	15	31															1			1	
Transport	1	15	10	26																			
Unskilled Labour			13	13														1	1			2	
Police, Army		5	3	8								1				1							
Teachers	1	3	2	6																			
Church Minister	3		1	4		1				1													
Washerman/Dry Cl.		3	1	4															1			1	
Mallams	1	1	1	3	1					1													
Night Watchmen	2	1		3	1					1													
Musicians			2	2																1		1	
Other Services	2		2	4																			
Total	17	37	50	104	2	1				3	1					1	1	3				5	9
5. <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>																							
Retired	5			5																			
Temp.out of Work			1	1																			
D.K.		1	2	3																			
Total	5	1	3	9																			
Grand Total	63	108	124	295	8	2	4	5		19	2	3	1	2		8	1	3	7	1		12	39

\* 1 = Agriculture  
2 = Art and Crafts  
3 = Trade

4 = Services  
5 = Miscellaneous

CH = Compound Head  
DHH = Dependent Househ.Head  
THH = Tenant Househ.Head  
T = Total



**TABLE A.12.2**  
**Number of Valid and Omitted Households**

	Total Hh.		Comp. H. Hh.		Dep. Hh.		Tenant Hh.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Valid	227	76.9	58	92.1	77	71.3	92	74.2
Omitted	68	23.1	5	7.9	31	28.7	32	25.8
Total Househ.	295	100.0	63	100.0	108	100.0	124	100.0

TABLE A.12.3  
Income Distribution of Valid Households

Income Group	Total Hh.		Comp. H. Hh.		Dep. Hh.		Tenant Hh.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Low	122	53.8	19	32.8	49	63.6	54	58.7
Middle	93	40.9	29	50.0	28	36.4	36	39.1
High	12	5.3	10	17.2			2	2.2
Total	227	100.0	58	100.0	77	100.0	92	100.0

**TABLE A.12.5** **Distribution of Incomes for Different Size Households**

A. Total 227 Households											
AV.	Person in.	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	12 +	Total	%	Cum %
Month.	Inc.	hh.									
50.0	59.9	7	6	1					14	6.2	6.2
100	199.9	26	20	8	2				56	24.7	30.9
200	299.9	12	18	12	6	2			52	22.9	53.8
300	399.9	7	13	11	9	2		1	43	18.9	72.7
400	499.9	4	8	9	4	2		1	28	12.3	85.0
500	599.9	1	4	5	5	3		2	22	9.7	94.7
600	699.9										
1,000	1,999.9				1	4		2	9	4.0	98.7
2,000	2,999.9								1	0.4	99.1
3,000 +			1	1				1	2	0.9	100.0
Total Households		57	70	47	29	13	5	6	227	100.0	
Percentages		25.1	30.8	20.7	12.8	5.7	2.2	2.7	100.0		

**TABLE A.12.4** **Distribution of Incomes for Different Size Households**

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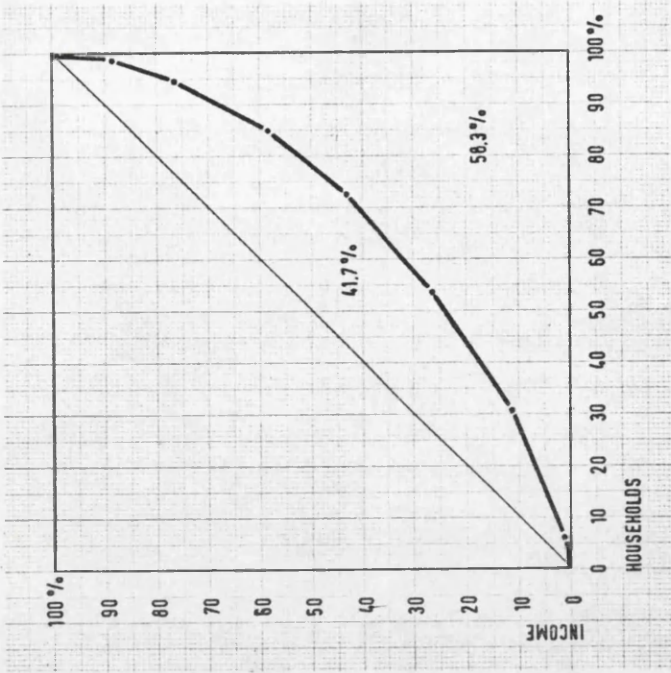
### C. Dependent or Semi-dependent Households

Av. Month. Inc.	Person in Ph	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	12 +	Total	%	Cum. %
Sh. 0 - 99.9	59.9	2	3	1					6	7.8	7.8
100 - 199.9	199.9	5	12	7	1				25	32.4	40.2
200 - 299.9	299.9	1	9	7	1				18	23.4	63.6
300 - 399.9	399.9		4	4	5	1			14	18.2	81.8
400 - 599.9	599.9	2	3	3	2	2			10	13.0	94.8
600 - 999.9	999.9		1	2	1				4	5.2	100.0
1,000 - 1,999.9	1,999.9										
2,000 - 2,999.9	2,999.9										
3,000 +											
Total Households		10	32	24	10	1			77	100.0	
Percentages		13.0	41.5	31.2	13.0	1.3			100.0		

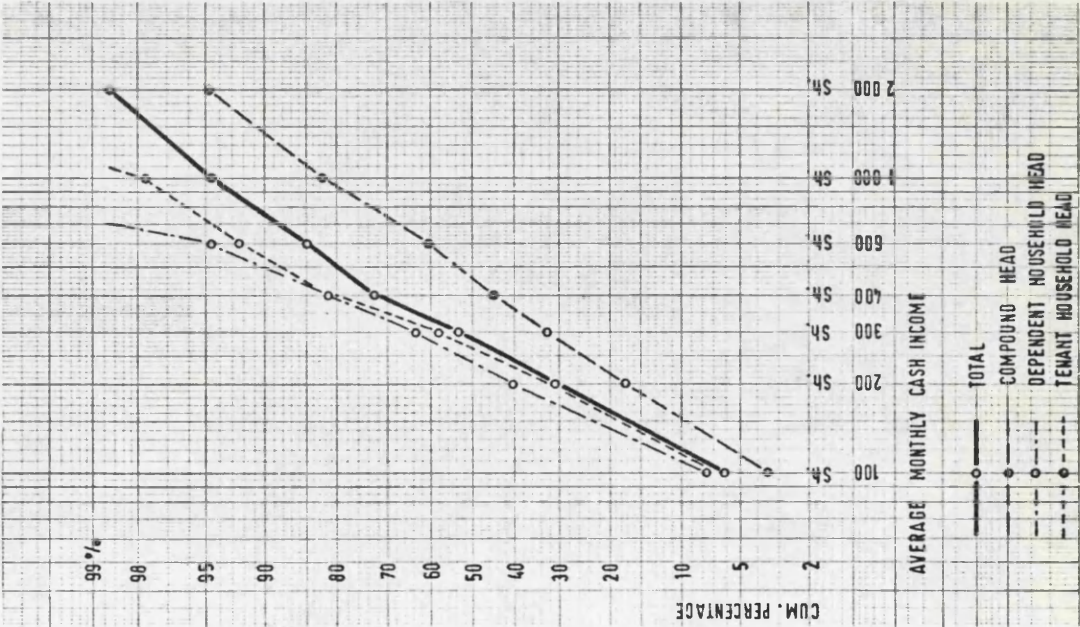
### D. Tenant Households

AV. Person in Month. Inc.	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	12 +	Total	%	Cum. %
Sh. 0 - 99.9	5	1						6	6.5	6.5
100 - 199.9	18	5						23	25.0	31.5
200 - 299.9	10	6	4	5				25	27.2	58.7
300 - 399.9	6	9	5	2				22	23.9	82.6
400 - 599.9	2	3	4	1	1	1		9	9.8	92.4
600 - 999.9		1	1	1				5	5.4	97.8
1,000 - 1,999.9					2			2	2.2	100.0
2,000 - 2,999.9										
3,000 +										
Total Households	41	25	14	8	3	1		92	100.0	
Percentages	44.5	27.2	15.2	8.7	3.3	1.1		100.0		

GRAPH A.12.2 Income Distribution (Lorenz Curve) Ibadan



GRAPH A.12.1 Distribution of Household Income in Ibadan



PLAN A.13.1

Low Cost 2-Bedroom House, Bodiya Housing Estate Ibadan  
Western State Housing Corporation 1960

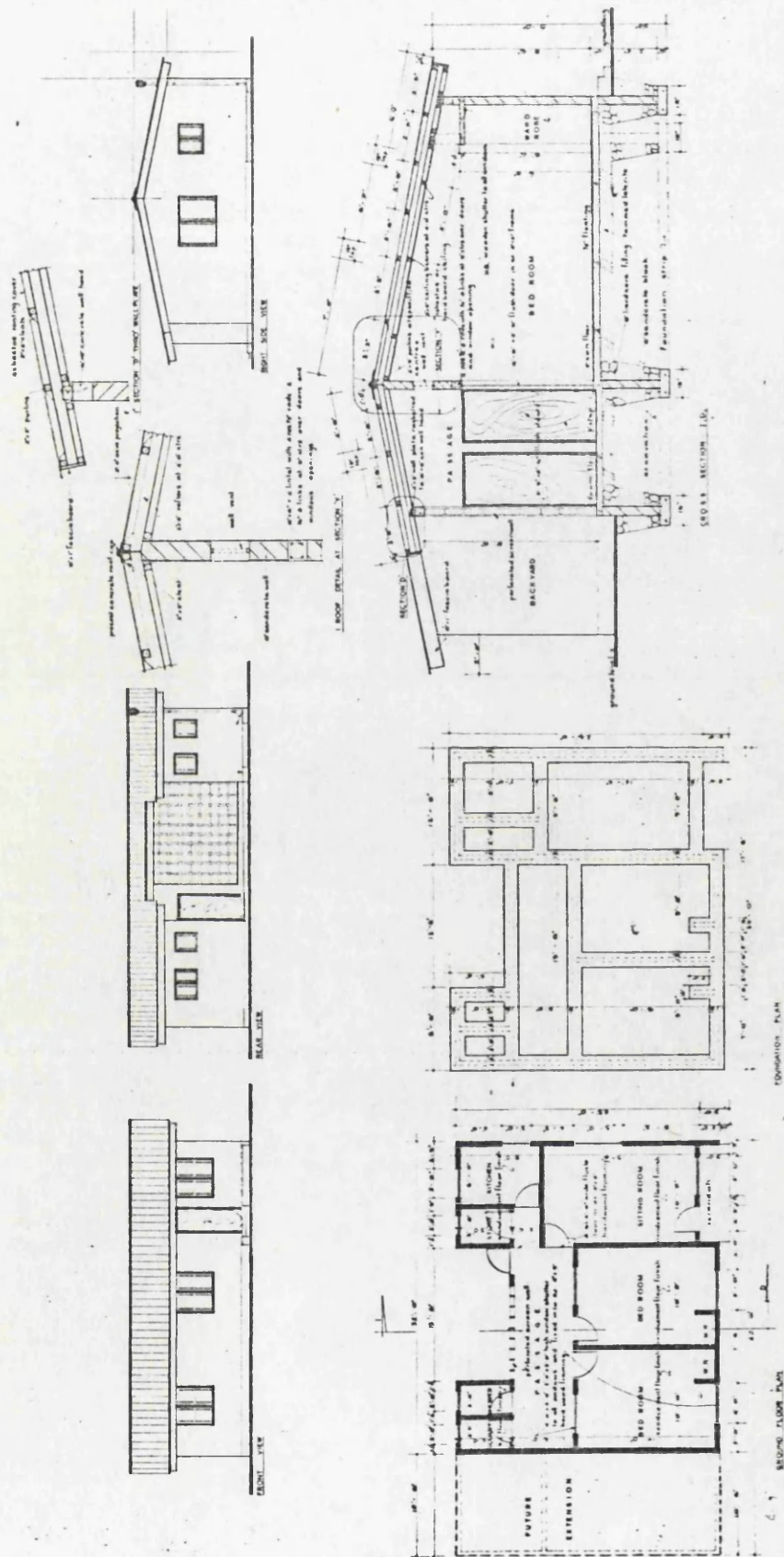


TABLE A.13.1 Classification and Structure of the Western State Building Industry in 1971

	Building Contractors				Civil Engineering Contractors				Electrical Contractors				All Contractors			
	Western State		Based in Ibadan		Western State		Based in Ibadan		Western State		Based in Ibadan		Western State		Based in Ibadan	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Small-size Contractors Category A-C	200	73.8	61	58.1	14	28.6	6	22.2	30	81.1	16	72.7	244	68.3	83	53.9
Medium-size Contractors Category D-F	62	22.9	37	35.2	23	46.9	14	51.9	5	13.5	4	18.2	90	25.2	55	37.5
Large Contractors Category G+	9	3.3	7	6.7	12	24.5	7	25.9	2	5.4	2	9.1	23	6.5	16	10.4
Total	271	100.0	105	100.0	49	100.0	27	100.0	37	100.0	22	100.0	357	100.0	154	100.0
Percentage of Firms Based in Ibadan				38.7				55.1				59.5				43.1

Source: Western State of Nigeria Gazette  
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TABLE A.13.3 Structural Development of 63 Surveyed Compounds in Ibadan from 1st of May 1963 to 30th April 1968

	Total No. of Rooms on the 30th April 1968		No. of Rooms built between 1963 and 1968			No. of Rms. Disappeared 1963-1968		Rms. converted from earth to cement floor		Total No. of Rms. on the 1st May 1963	
	No.	sq.m.	No.	sq.m.	%1968	No.	sq.m.	No.	sq.m.	No.	sq.m.
Living Areas	814	7,958.6	44	445.2	5.6	10	86.0			780	7,599.4
Communally used Rooms	85	544.9	4	23.6	4.3					81	521.3
Basic Ancillary Facilities	161	728.3	18	86.2	11.8	2	11.7			145	653.8
Commercially used Rooms	39	290.5	3	20.1	6.9					36	270.4
Total	1,099	9,522.3	69	575.1	6.0	12	97.7			1,042	9,044.9
Cement Floor	761	6,255.6	39	300.1	4.8			46	342.9	676	5,612.6
Rammed Earth Floor	242	2,343.6	22	173.3	7.4	12	97.7			278	2,610.9
Wooden Floor	96	923.1	8	101.7	11.0					88	821.4
Total	1,099	9,522.3	69	575.1	6.0	12	97.7	46	342.9	1,042	9,044.9

TABLE A.13.4

What improvement do you think the house most needs?"

	No.	%
Building a second floor	19	30.2
Painting the house	11	17.5
Ceilings in rooms	5	7.9
Lavatory and bathroom	4	6.3
Rebuild the whole house	4	6.3
Piped Water	3	4.8
More bedrooms	3	4.8
Electricity	3	4.8
Repair on Roof	3	4.8
Other needs	5	7.9
No response	2	3.1
Undecided	1	1.6
Total	63	100.0

TABLE A.13.2 Age Distribution of Rooms

Column	1	2	3	4
		Age of Rooms built	No. of Rooms survived	Cum. %
1968/69	- 1	3	1,093	100.0
1966/67	1- 2	14	1,090	99.7
1964/65	3- 4	28	1,076	98.4
1962/63	5- 6	25	1,048	95.9
1960/61	7- 8	19	1,023	93.6
1958/59	9-10	52	1,004	91.9
1956/57	11-12	91	952	87.1
1954/55	13-14	62	861	78.8
1952/53	15-16	36	799	73.1
1950/51	17-18	70	763	69.8
1948/49	19-20	66	693	63.4
1946/47	21-22	50	627	57.4
1944/45	23-24	35	577	52.8
1942/43	25-26	59	542	49.6
1940/41	27-28	37	483	44.2
1930-1939	29-38	123	446	40.8
1920-1929	39-48	111	323	29.6
1910-1919	49-58	84	212	19.4
1900-1909	59-68	82	128	11.7
Before 1900	+68	46	46	4.2
No. of Rms.		1,093		
Age unknown		6		
Total Rooms		1,099		

TABLE A.14.1 Construction of New Buildings Between 1963-1968

1. Living Area	No.	sq.m.
a. Sleeping Rooms	29	266.7
b. Sitting Rooms	4	44.9
c. Central Halls	5	87.8
d. Store Rooms (Personal)	2	13.2
e. Empty Rooms	4	32.6
Sub-total	44	445.2
2. Common Rooms		
a. Entrance Lobbies	4	23.6
b. Passages	-	-
Sub-total	4	23.6
3. Basic Ancillary Facilities		
a. Kitchen	5	34.4
b. Kitchen Store	1	3.4
c. Other Stores	5	30.4
d. Toilets and Bathrooms	7	18.0
Sub-total	18	86.2
4. Commercially Used Rooms		
a. Shops	1	4.3
b. Stores and Stables	2	15.8
Sub-total	3	20.1
Grand Total	69	575.1

TABLE A.14.5 Who Built the Core or Main Part of the House?

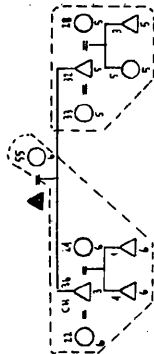
	No.	Per Cent
1. The Present Compound Head	25	39.7
2. The Present Compound Head's Father	24	38.1
3. The Present CH's Father's or Mother's Father	7	11.1
4. The Present Compound Head's Deceased Husband	2	3.2
5. Absentee Landlord	2	3.2
6. Others, include CH's Father's Brother, CH's Mother and one Compound Head who bought the House	3	4.7
Total Compound Heads	63	100.0

TABLE A.14.6 The Financing of Houses in Ibadan

	No. of Loans	Gifts+ Grants	Shillings	Per cent
<u>New Construction</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			45,060	89.4
Personal Sources, Loans + Gifts	2	2	5,350	10.6
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			50,410	100.0
<u>Improvements</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			21,890	95.2
Personal Sources, Loans + Gifts	2	1	1,105	4.8
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			22,995	100.0
<u>Maintenance and Repair</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			27,315	100.0
Personal Sources, Loans + Gifts				
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			27,315 <sup>+</sup>	100.0
<u>Under Construction</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings				
Personal Sources, Loans + Gifts				
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			-	-
<u>Miscellaneous Construction</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			3,260	100.0
Personal Sources, Loans + Gifts				
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			3,260	100.0
<u>Total Building Activities</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			97,525	93.8
Personal Sources, Loans + Gifts	4	3	6,455	6.2
Institutional Sources				
Total Expenditure			103,980	100.0

<sup>+</sup> Adjusted expenditure, actual expenditure 16,389 shillings

TABLE A.14.2 Cost of Construction, House Number 6



14 REPAIRS

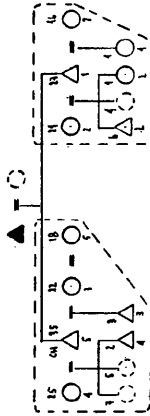
Compound Head Book Shop Manager Salary 1967/68 IN 325 p.a.  
 CE's full Brother Washerman Kawa Cash Income 1967/68 IN 89 p.a.  
 CE built house in 1963-65 with some financial help from his family + 141 Lakh.  
 Size of House: 6 Rooms 59.8 sq.m. House contained very little furniture, 1 table, 3 chairs, 4 mats,  
 1 Cent. Hall 14.0 sq.m. 3 wooden boxes, various baskets +  
 1 Ent. Lobby 5.1 sq.m. 3 cooking pots. There was no electricity and water supply.  
 Total Area 67.7 sq.m. tricity and water supply.

Breakdown of Cost by Element of Building and Element of Cost

Material	sh.	Labour	sh.	Sub-total	%
Superstructure					
Foundation and Walls	820				
Stones for Foundation	975	Foundation	300		
Cement 65 bags a 15 sh.	100	Walls & 10 per Room	1,200		
Sand	1,695		1,500	3,395	34.2
Sub-total					
Roof					
Timber	800				
C.I.R. Sheets 10.5 Bundl.	1,050	Roof Construction	675	2,685	27.0
Nails etc.	160		675		
Sub-total					
Finishes					
Ceilings	270				
45 Asbestos-cement sheets	135				
Timber	80	Fixing of Ceilings	360		
Nails etc.	485		360	845	8.5
Sub-total					
Doors and Windows					
Internal Doors 9 a & 3.75					
External Doors 2 a & 5.25	800 <sup>+</sup>				
Small Windows 5 a & 1.25					
Big Windows 4 a & 4.00					
Glass	135	Building Doors + Wind	530 <sup>+</sup>		
Sub-total			530	1,465	14.7
Cementing Rooms					
Cement 55 bags a 15 sh.	825	Contractor	390		
Sand	905		390	1,295	13.1
Sub-total					
Paint and Whitewash					
Paint	155	Painter	90	245	2.5
Sub-total					
Grand Total				3,545	9,930
Percentages				35.7	100.0

\* Estimated proportion of Material and Labour cost

TABLE A.14.3 Cost of Construction, House Number 12



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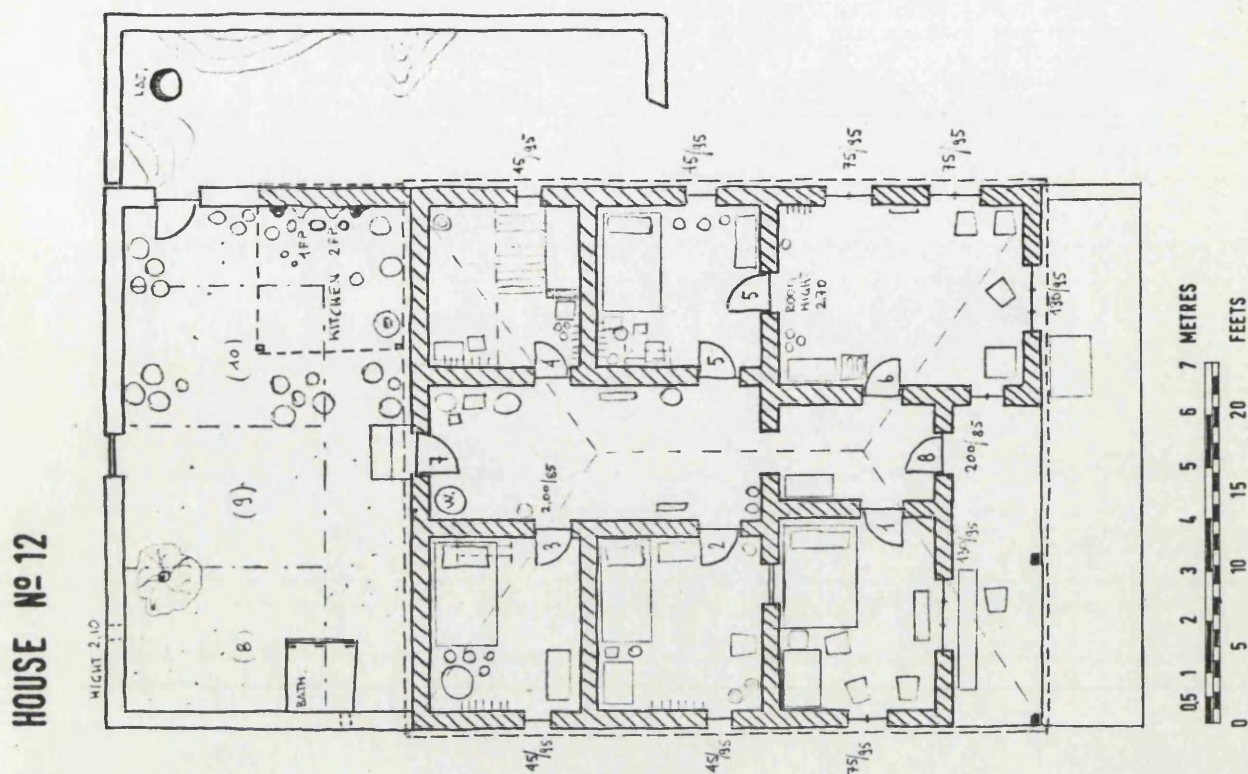
Compound head Bricklayer, Min. of Works+Trans. Salary 1967/68 IN 230 p.a.  
 CE's full Brother Police since 1964, Carpenter Salary 1967/68 IN 210 p.a.  
 CE and brother built house together in 1964-65. Some help from family.  
 Size of House: 6 Rooms 66.1 sq.m. House contained 4 beds, 4 cupboards,  
 1 Cent. Hall 16.1 sq.m. 3 boxes, 7 chairs, 16 mats, 3 tables,  
 1 Ent. Lobby 5.4 sq.m. 1 sewing machine, 1 electric fan,  
 1 Cov. Verandah 10.5 sq.m. several baskets and cooking pots.  
 Total 98.1 sq.m. No electricity and water supply.

Breakdown of Cost by Element of Building and Element of Cost

Material	sh.	Labour	sh.	Sub-total	%
Superstructure					
Foundation and Walls	260				
Stones for Foundation	852				
Cement 60 bags a 14.2 sh.	110				
Sand	158	Helpers	250	1,630	25.8
Reinforcement bars					
sub-total					
Roof					
Timber	700				
C.I.R. Sheets 12 Bundles	1,200				
Nails etc.	90	Helpers	160	2,150	34.1
Sub-total					
Finishes					
Ceilings	350				
Plyboard sheets	40				
Nails etc.	430	Self	-	430	6.8
Sub-total					
Doors and Windows					
Timber	580				
Hinges	175				
Glass	210				
Sub-total					
Cementing Rooms					
Cement 60 bags a 14.2 sh.	852				
Sand	100				
Sub-total					
Paint and Whitewash					
Paint	160	Self	-	160	2.5
Sub-total					
Grand Total				5,897	6,307
Percentages				93.5	100.0



PLAN A.14.2      House 12



PLAN A.14.1      House 6

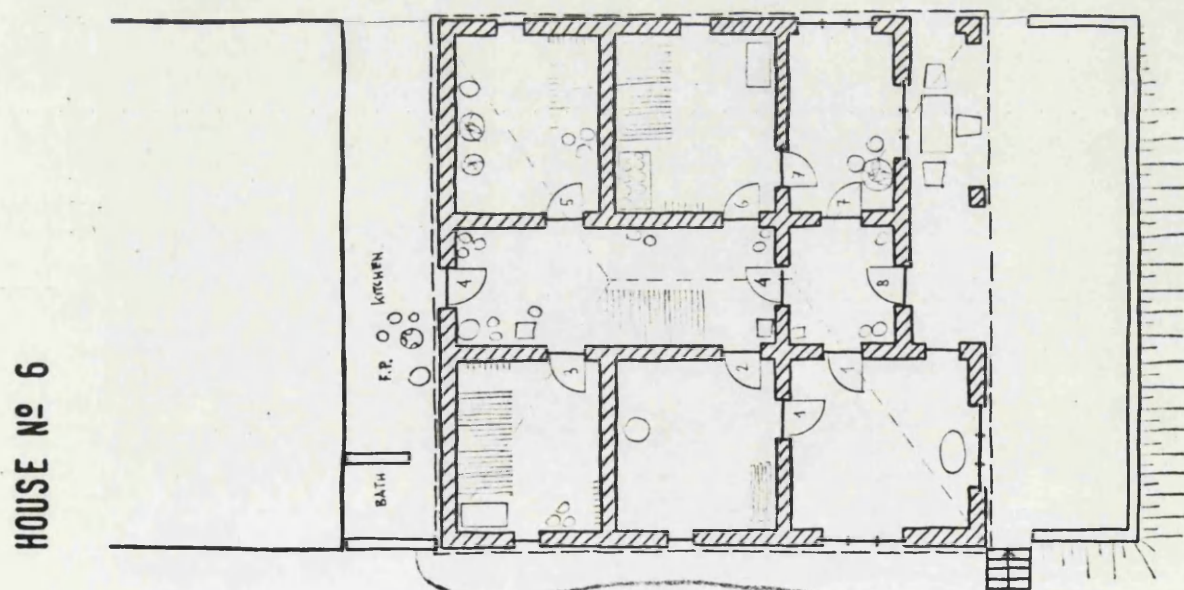




TABLE A.14.4 The Cost of Construction of Rural Buildings in Western Nigeria

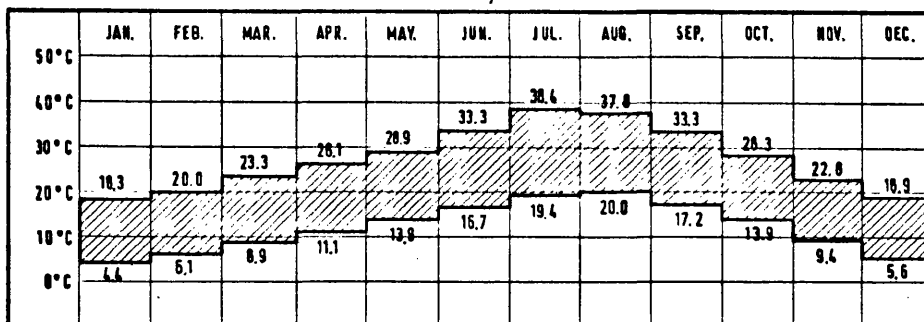
HOUSES BUILT IN	NO OF HOUSES SURVEYED AT EACH AGE GROUP	AVERAGE NO OF ROOMS PER HOUSE	TOTAL AVERAGE COST PER HOUSE IN ₦. 3/	TOTAL AVERAGE COST PER ROOM IN ₦. N.	Percentage of Total Cost					Total
					Walls	Roof	Woodwork	Metal-work	Others*	
Ref. 1920	7	-	40.8	-	14.0	20.4	43.8	6.2	15.6	100.0
1920-24	22	6.7	81.7	12.2	28.0	27.8	25.3	5.3	13.6	100.0
1925-29	50	7.7	132.2	17.1	22.1	28.5	29.8	7.2	12.4	100.0
1930-34	87	6.7	101.7	15.2	28.0	22.6	29.1	6.5	13.6	100.0
1935-39	164	6.5	118.2	18.2	31.1	25.3	28.0	5.6	10.0	100.0
1940-44	106	5.5	89.0	16.2	35.6	23.1	28.1	5.2	8.0	100.0
1945-49	161	6.1	158.7	26.0	27.3	29.8	29.7	5.0	8.2	100.0
1950-51	90	7.5	244.0	32.5	30.6	31.9	27.0	4.8	5.7	100.0
Total	687	6.5	136.7	21.0	29.5	27.6	28.5	5.3	9.1	100.0
1965 5/	1	6.0	224.0	37.3	33.4	42.8	-----23.8			100.0

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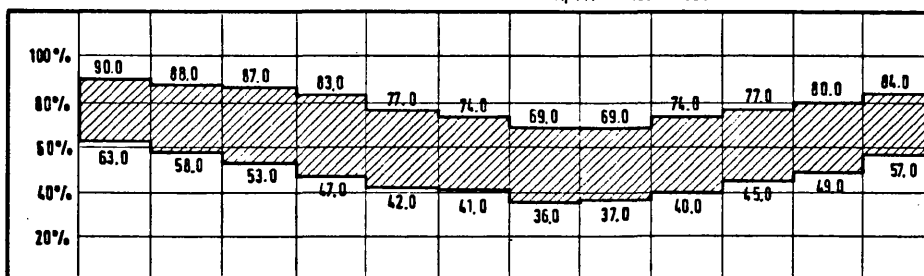
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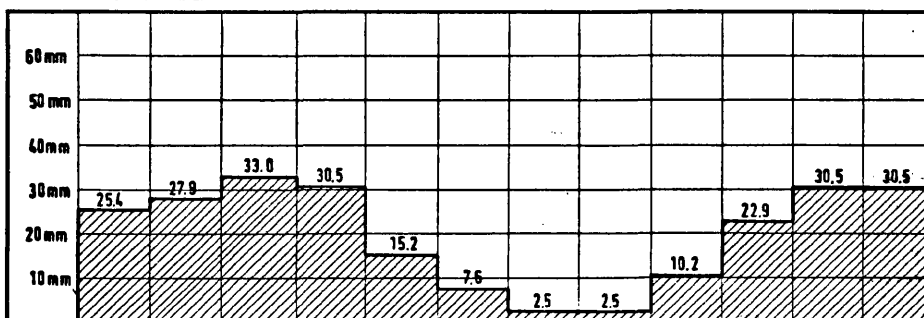
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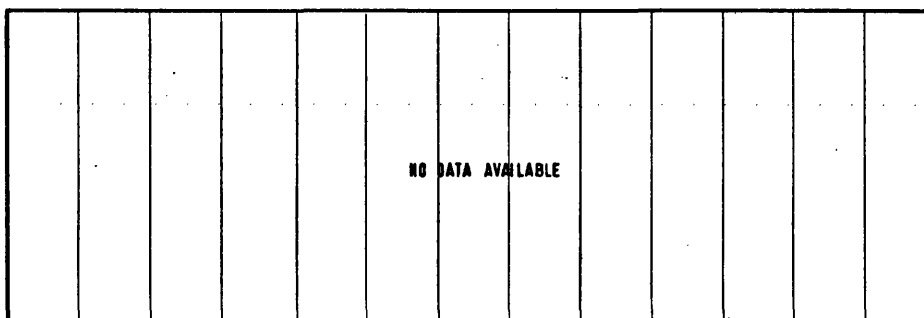


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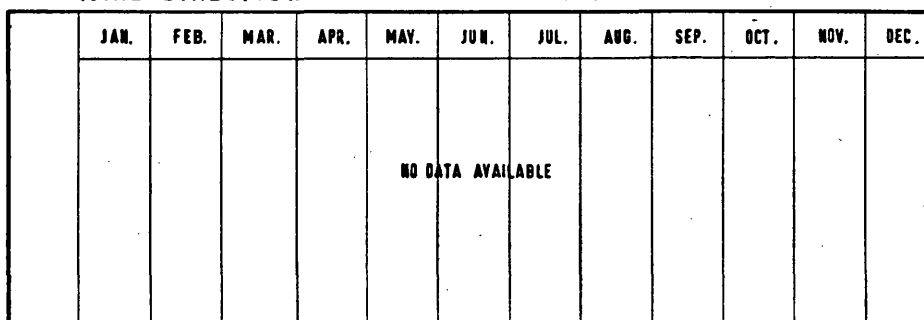
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**DAILY MEAN HOURS**



PREVAILING WIND DIRECTION



(1) OBSERVATION TAKEN AT 5.30 AND 11.30 G.M.T.

TABLE A.15.1 Gross Domestic Product at 1960 Factor Cost

In Dirhams Million

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971 <sup>+</sup>
Agriculture	2,650	2,260	2,870	3,060	2,990	3,150	2,780	3,070	3,980	3,650	3,720	3,940
Commerce	1,910	1,880	2,060	2,180	2,150	2,130	2,140	2,280	2,440	2,550	2,730	2,840
Transp.+ Non-Gov. Services	1,500	1,530	1,600	1,660	1,720	1,780	1,820	1,890	2,010	2,090	2,190	2,300
Manufacturing and Crafts	1,100	1,150	1,210	1,290	1,330	1,320	1,370	1,420	1,490	1,580	1,700	1,780
Government Services	890	940	1,010	1,020	1,090	1,100	1,140	1,230	1,380	1,430	1,530	1,630
Mining	540	570	540	530	590	590	580	580	580	620	620	630
Construction	320	370	420	460	450	470	500	580	570	610	700	730
Energy	180	180	220	230	250	260	280	280	310	330	350	370
Total	9,090	8,880	9,930	10,430	10,570	10,800	10,610	11,330	12,760	12,860	13,540	14,220
G.D.P. at Current Fact. Cost	9,090	9,040	10,620	11,860	12,490	13,160	12,840	13,600	15,310	15,920	16,960	18,530

TABLE A.15.2 Gross Domestic Product at 1960 Factor Cost

In Percentages

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971 <sup>+</sup>
Agriculture	29.2	25.5	28.9	29.3	28.3	29.2	26.2	27.1	31.2	28.4	27.5	27.7
Commerce	21.0	21.2	20.7	20.9	20.3	19.7	20.2	20.1	19.1	19.8	20.1	20.0
Transp.+ non-Gov. Services	16.5	17.2	16.1	15.9	16.3	16.5	17.2	16.7	15.8	16.3	16.2	16.2
Manufacturing and Crafts	12.1	12.9	12.2	12.4	12.6	12.2	12.9	12.5	11.7	12.3	12.5	12.5
Government Services	9.8	10.6	10.2	9.8	10.3	10.2	10.7	10.9	10.8	11.1	11.3	11.5
Mining	5.9	6.4	5.4	5.1	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.1	4.5	4.8	4.6	4.4
Construction	3.5	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.7	5.1	4.5	4.7	5.2	5.1
Energy	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1965 and 1972

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TABLE A.15.3 Export of Principal Products

In Dirhams Million

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Food, Drink + Tobacco						1,049	1,052	1,062	1,169	1,185	1,250	1,206
Fuel and Energy						13	7	11	16	8	10	9
Raw-Materials + Minerals						982	777	754	738	768	784	762
Other Raw-Materials							174	141	134	238	167	153
Manufactured Products						132	158	179	221	256	261	395
Total Export						2,176	2,168	2,147	2,278	2,455	2,472	2,525

TABLE A.15.4 Export of Principal Products

In Percentages

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Food, Drink + Tobacco						48.2	48.5	49.5	51.3	48.3	50.6	47.8
Fuel and Energy						0.6	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.3
Raw-Materials + Minerals						45.1	35.9	35.1	32.4	31.5	31.7	30.2
Other Raw-Materials							8.0	6.6	5.9	9.7	6.7	6.1
Manufactured Products						6.1	7.3	8.3	9.7	10.4	10.6	15.6
Total Export							100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE A.15.5 Value of External Trade and Visible Balance

In Dirhams Million

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Merchandise Import					2,344	2,295	2,418	2,620	2,790	2,844	3,471	3,533
Domestic Export					2,194	2,177	2,168	2,146	2,278	2,455	2,470	2,526
Visible Balance					- 150	- 118	- 250	- 474	- 512	- 389	-1,001	-1,007

Source: Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1965 and 1972

TABLE A.15.6 Import of Principal Products

In Dirhams Million

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Food, Drinks and Tobacco						688	660	723	619	452	583	701
Fuel and Energy						119	117	127	166	165	189	236
Primary Materials						323	318	291	363	342	427	467
Semi-Manufactured Products						448	516	550	616	731	864	790
Capital Goods						353	385	529	588	663	833	789
Consumer Goods						348	416	397	433	484	567	545
Other Goods						12	6	3	5	7	8	5
Total Import						2,291	2,418	2,620	2,790	2,844	3,471	3,533

TABLE A.15.7 Import of Principal Products

In Percentages

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Food, Drinks and Tobacco						30.0	27.3	27.6	22.2	15.9	16.8	19.9
Fuel and Energy						5.2	4.8	4.8	5.9	5.8	5.5	6.7
Primary Materials						14.1	13.2	11.1	13.0	12.0	12.3	13.2
Semi-Manufactured Products						19.6	21.3	21.0	22.1	25.7	24.9	22.4
Capital Goods						15.4	15.9	20.2	21.1	23.3	24.0	22.3
Consumer Goods						15.2	17.2	15.2	15.5	17.0	16.3	15.4
Other Goods						0.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1
Total Import						100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1965 and 1972

TABLE A.15.8 Gross Fixed Capital Formation at Current Prices

In Dirhams Million

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Plant, Machinery + Equipment	360	400	410	570	550	580	600	780	860	980	1,210	1,130
Public Works	310	370	470	510	480	540	590	750	730	790	890	900
Buildings	250	280	270	330	340	320	340	360	380	310	510	590
Total	920	1,050	1,150	1,410	1,370	1,440	1,530	1,890	1,970	2,080	2,610	2,620

TABLE A.15.9 Gross Fixed Capital Formation at Current Prices

In Percentages

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Plant, Machinery + Equipment	39.1	38.1	35.6	40.4	40.2	40.3	39.2	41.3	43.6	47.1	46.4	43.1
Public Works	33.7	35.2	40.9	36.2	35.0	37.5	38.6	39.7	37.1	38.0	34.1	34.4
Buildings	27.2	26.7	23.5	23.4	24.8	22.2	22.2	19.0	19.3	14.9	19.5	22.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

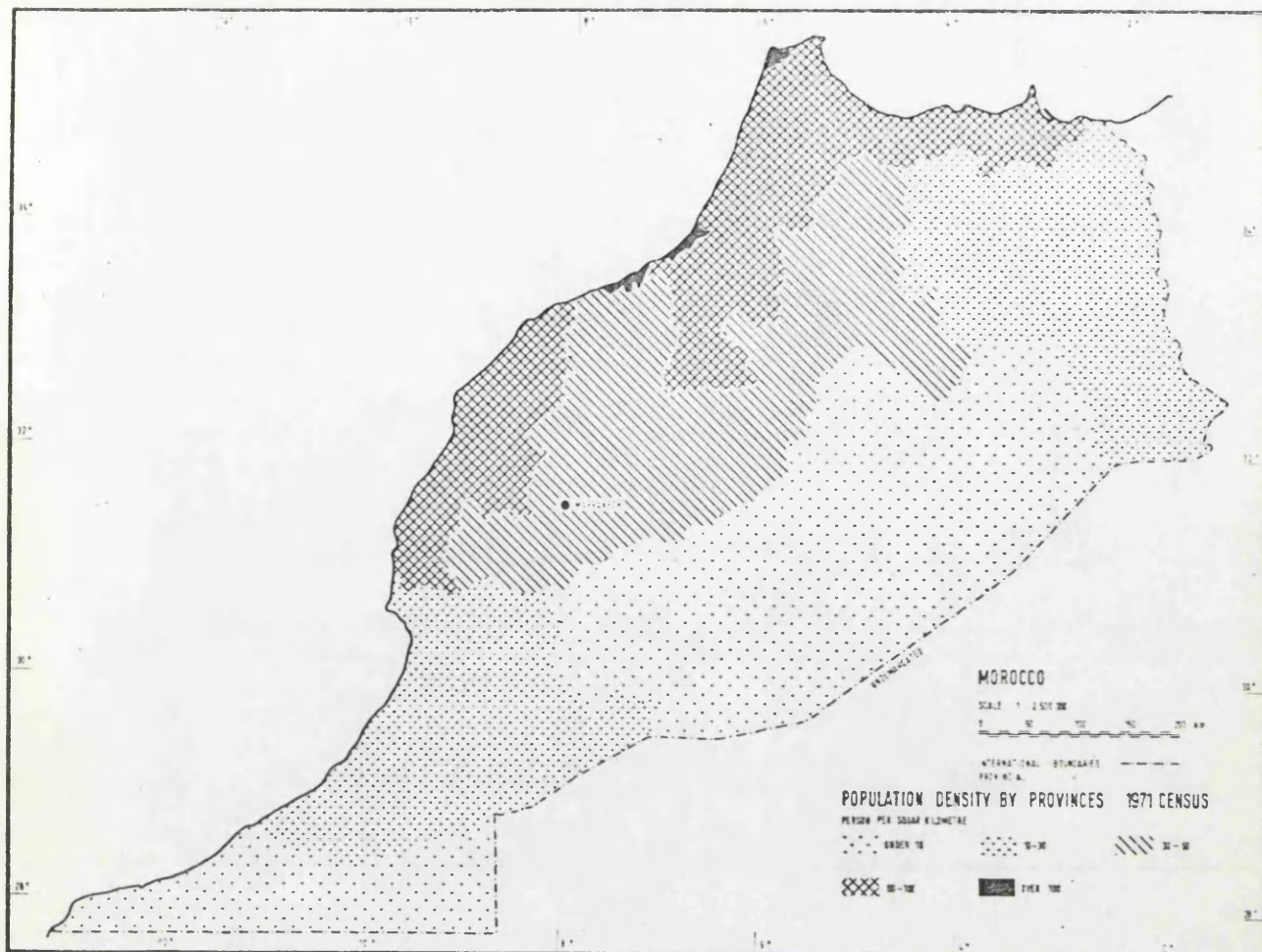
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TABLE A.16.1    Type of Land Tenure of 75 Houses in Marrakech 1969

	No.	Per Cent
Purchased Houses	34	45.3
Rented Accommodation	15	20.0
Inherited Houses	14	18.7
Houses built on Squatter Land	6	8.0
Others	6	8.0
Total	75	100.0

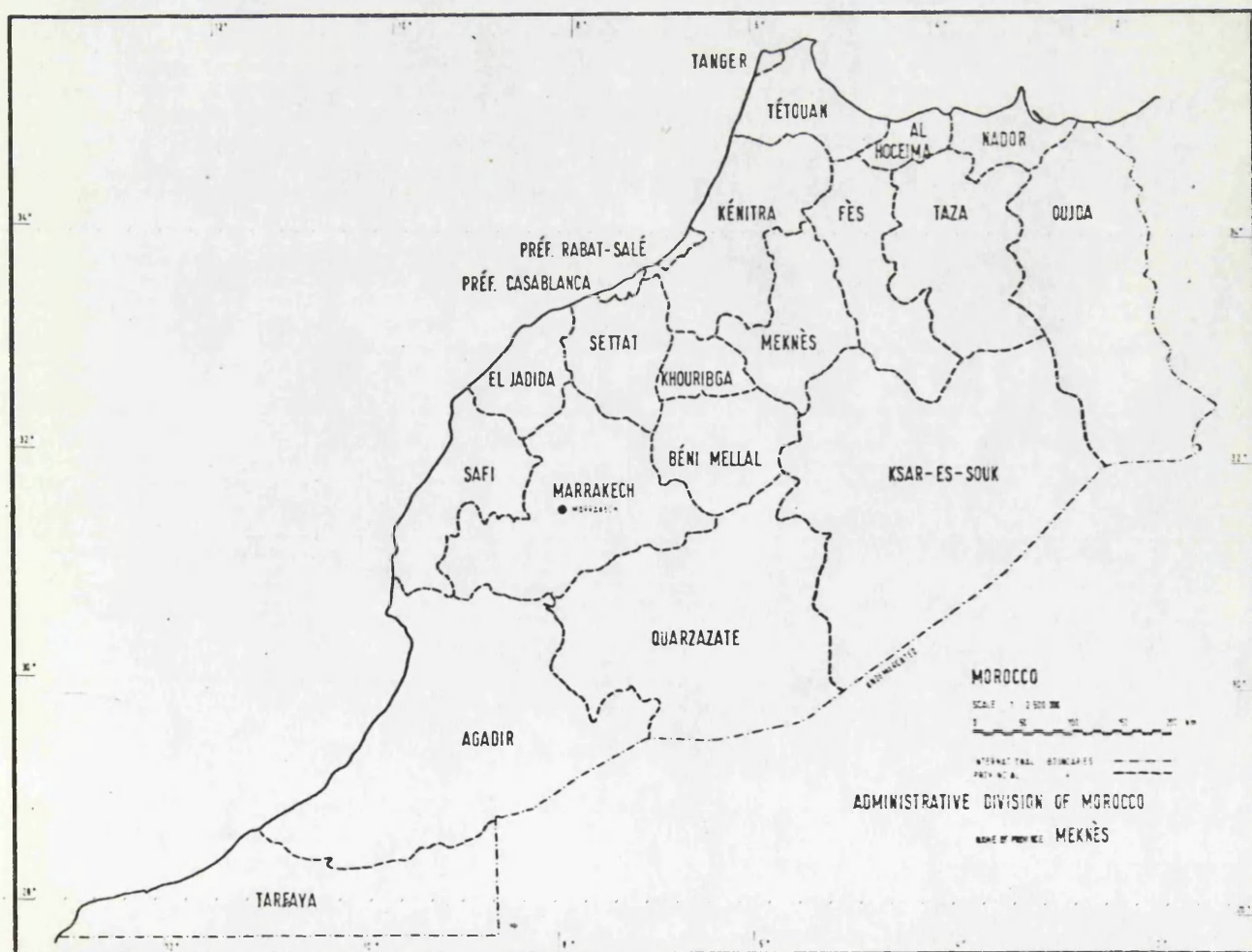
TABLE A.16.2    Land Use Inside the Walled City of Marrakech 1969

	Sq.m.	Per Cent
Built-up Area	4,053,396	64.1
Parks and Public Gardens	798,166	12.6
Wasteland	452,319	7.2
Roads	450,755	7.1
Cultivated Land	356,940	5.7
Cemeteries	169,250	2.7
Other Lands	38,960	0.6
Total	6,319,786	100.0

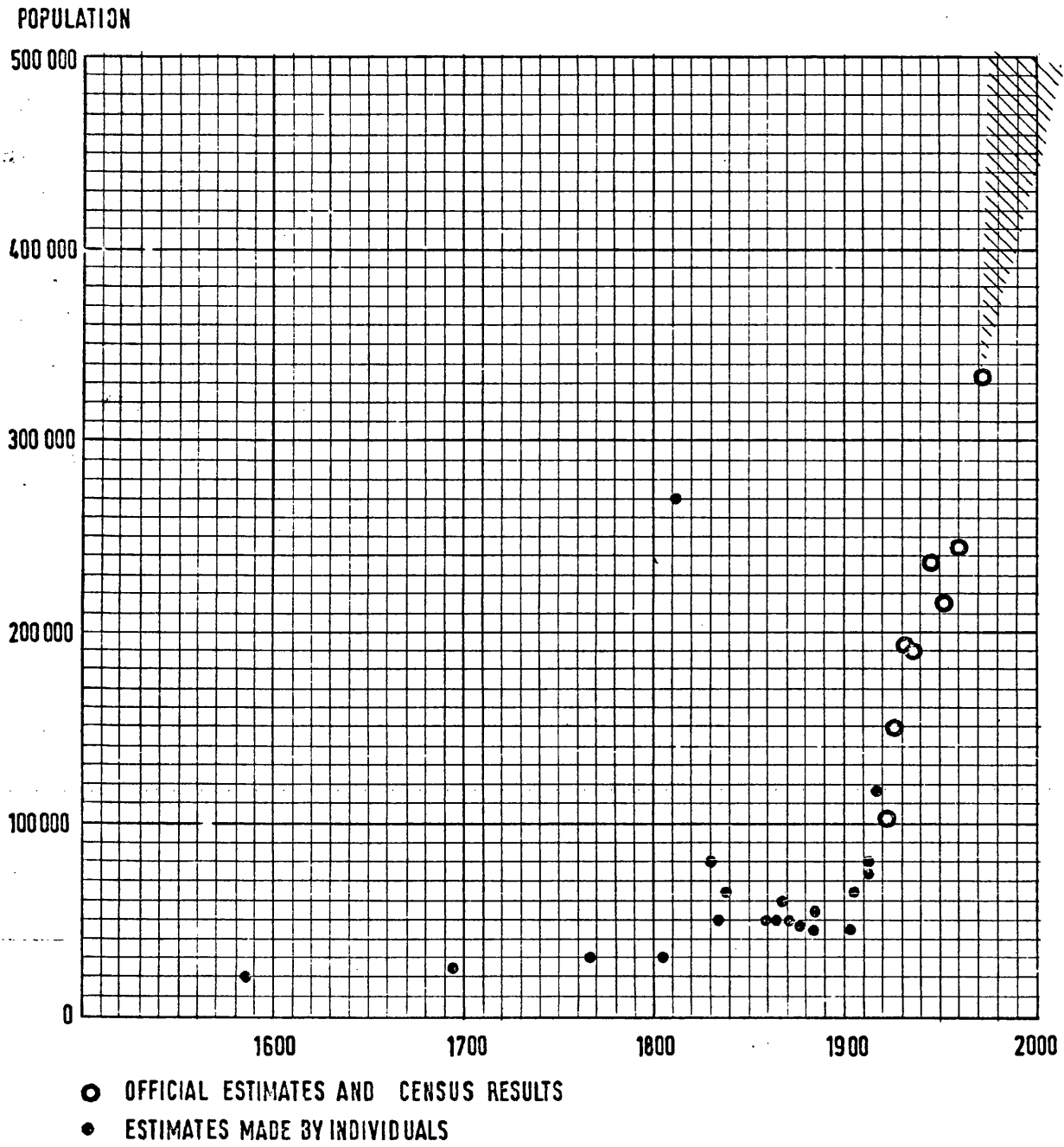


MAP A.17.2

Administrative Division of Morocco

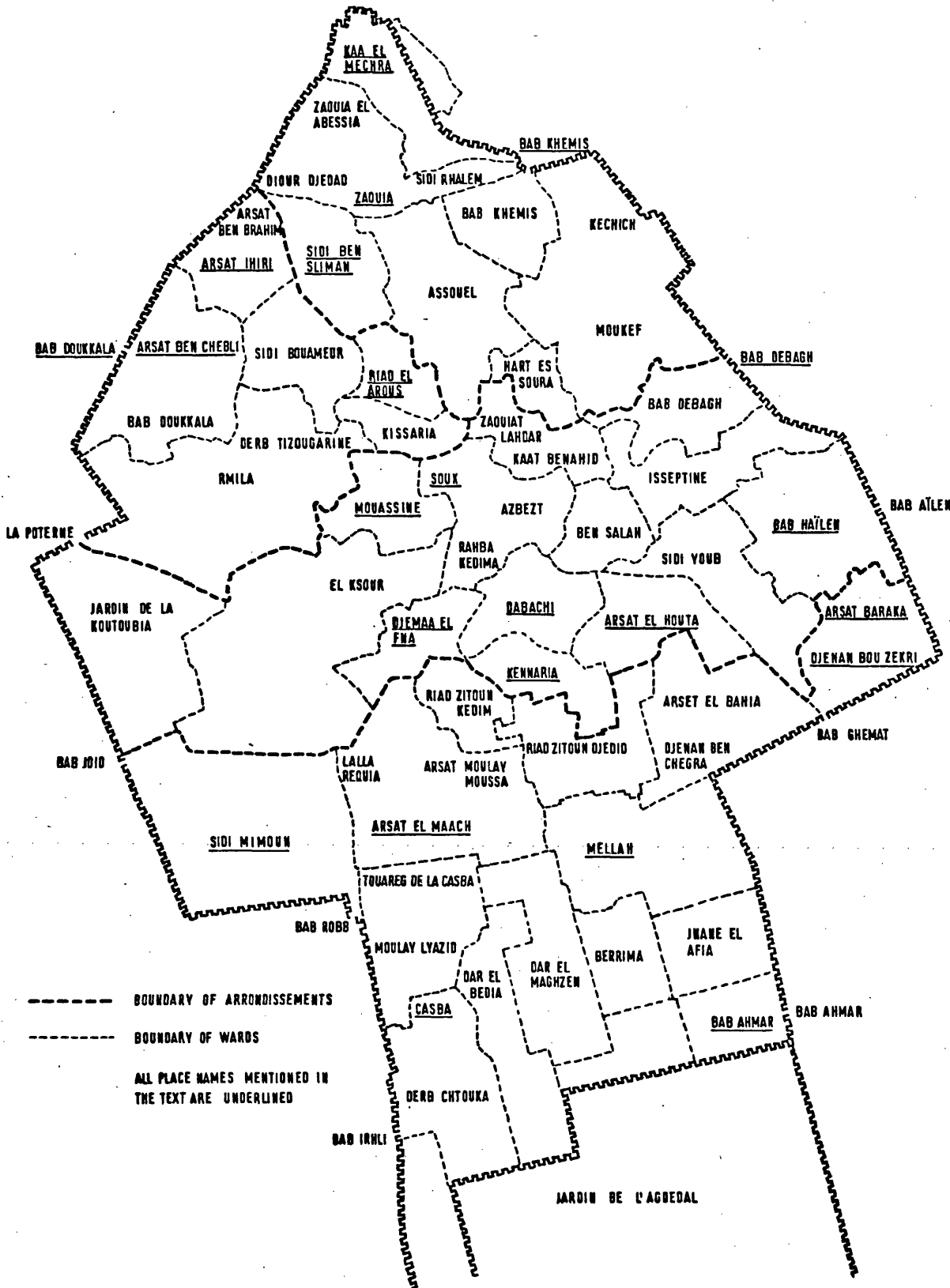


GRAPH A.17.1 Population Trends and Projection in Marrakech



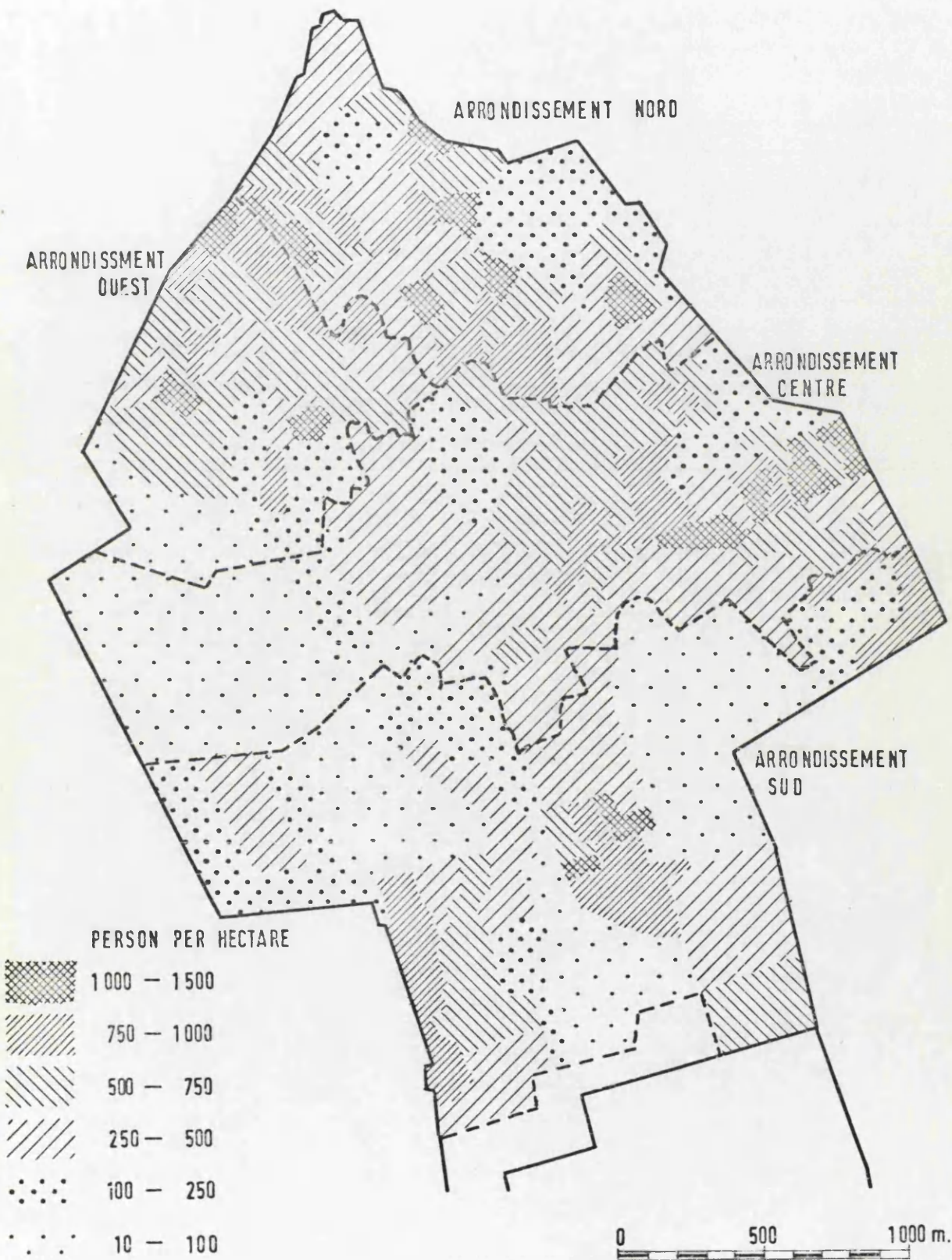
PLAN A.17.3 Marrakech: Principal Localities and Administrative Divisions

MARRAKECH : PRINCIPAL LOCALITIES





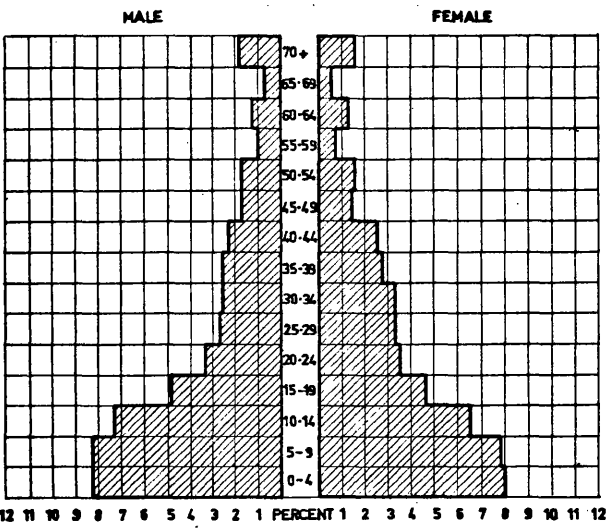
PLAN A.17.4      Population Density in the Walled City of Marrakech in 1971



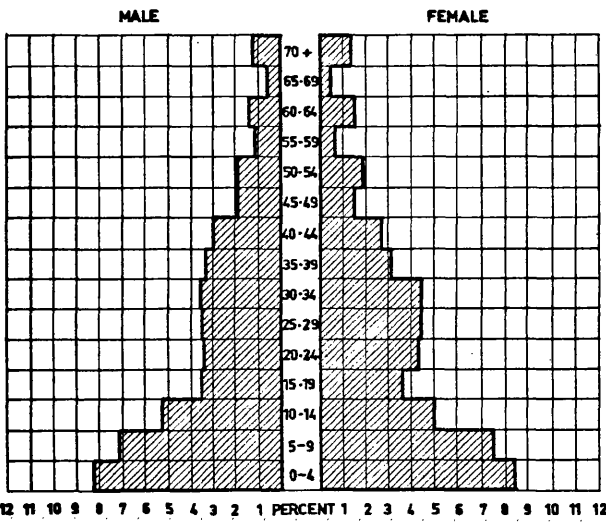
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DIAGRAM A.17.1      Age and Sex Distribution

**MOROCCO TOTAL POPULATION 1971**



**MARRAKECH TOTAL POPULATION 1960**



**SURVEY SAMPLE POPULATION 1969**

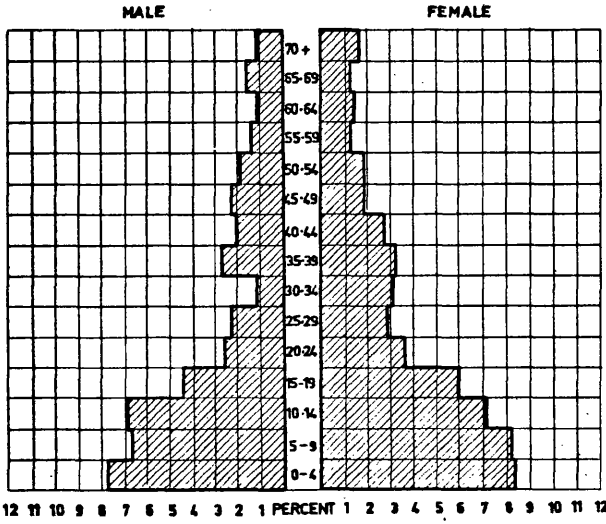


TABLE A.18.1 Distribution of Household Size

No. of Person	Hh. Group	Comp. Head's Househ.		Dependent Househ.			Tenant Househ.			Total Househ.			
		No. of Hh.	Per Cent	No. of Person	No. of Hh.	Per Cent	No. of Person	No. of Hh.	Per Cent	No. of Person	No. of Hh.	Per Cent	No. of Person
1	1- 2	1	8.8	1	1	22.6	1	15	35.1	15	17	23.7	17
2		5		10	6		12	17		34	28		56
3	3- 4	6	29.4	18	6	35.5	18	14	30.8	42	26	31.0	78
4		14		56	5		20	14		56	33		132
5	5- 6	5	17.7	25	2	19.3	10	11	20.9	55	18	19.5	90
6		7		42	4		24	8		48	19		114
7	7- 8	12	25.0	84	2	9.7	14	6	11.0	42	20	15.8	140
8		5		40	1		8	4		32	10		80
9	9-10	6	13.2	54	2	12.9	18	1	2.2	9	9	7.9	81
10		3		30	2		20	1		10	6		60
11	11-12	1	4.4	11							1	1.6	11
12		2		24							2		24
12+	12+	1	1.5	13							1	0.5	13
Total		68	100.0	408	31	100.0	145	91	100.0	343	190	100.0	896
Av.				6.0			4.7			3.8			4.7

Table 18.7 Average Floor Area per Household and Person According to Household Size

No. of Person p. Househ.	No. of Househ.	No. of Persons	Av. Pers. p. Househ.	Total Floor Area			Sleeping Area		
				Total Floor Area m <sup>2</sup>	Average Area in sq.m. per		Sleeping Area in sq.m.	Average Sleeping Area in sq.m. per	
					Househ.	Person		Househ.	Person
1- 2	45	73	1.62	1,247.3	27.7	17.1	455.5	10.1	6.2
3- 4	59	210	3.56	1,989.7	33.7	9.5	901.2	15.3	4.3
5- 6	37	204	5.51	1,525.5	41.2	7.5	675.0	18.2	3.3
7- 8	30	220	7.33	1,807.1	60.2	8.2	768.6	25.6	3.5
9-10	15	141	9.40	1,040.1	69.3	7.4	458.9	30.6	3.3
11-12	3	35	11.67	644.6	214.9	18.4	173.8	57.9	5.0
12+	1	13	13.00	71.7	71.7	5.5	36.5	36.5	2.8
Total	190	896		8,326.0			3,469.5		
Av.			4.72		43.8	9.3		18.3	3.9



TABLE A. 18.4 Female Members of 75 Houses by Relationship to Compound Head

	Marital Status			Age Groups					
	Single	Married	Divorced	Temp. Absent	0-4	5-11	12-17	18-24	25-64
1 Compound Head									
2 CH's Daughters	111	8	2	1	10	27	57	33	3
3 CH's Daughters' Daughters	19	1				7	11	2	5
4 CH's Daughters' Daughters' Daughters	1					1			1
5 CH's Sons' Daughters	17					4	9	4	17
Sub-Total	148	10	3	10	39	77	32	6	4
6 CH's Full Sisters	1	6	2	3		1	4	6	1
7 CH's Full Sisters' Daughters	10					4	5	1	12
8 CH's Full Brothers' Daughters	3	1				2	2		4
9 CH's Full B's Daughters' Daughters	1					1			1
Sub-Total	15	6	3	3	5	7	4	4	6
10 CH's Mother		1	9						1
11 CH's Mother's Sister		1	1						6
12 CH's Mo's Sister's Daughters						1			1
Sub-Total		1	10			1			6
13 CH's Wives		54	1	3		6	30	13	4
14 CH's Father's Wife									1
15 CH's Sons' Wives		10				5	5		10
16 CH's Brothers' Wives		2							2
Sub-Total		66	1	1		11	37	15	5
17 CH's Wives' Mother			5						1
18 CH's Wives' Mo's Sisters' Daughters						1			1
19 CH's Wives' Mo's B's Daughters' Daughters						1			1
20 CH's Wives' Sister									1
21 CH's Wives' B's Daughters						1			1
22 CH's Wives' B's Sons' Daughters						2			3
23 CH's Wives' B's Sons' Wives									1
24 CH's Sisters' Husband's Mother									1
Sub-Total		7	2	5	2	4	2	3	2
Unrelated Persons									
25 Unrelated Females	13	2	8	13	2	7	6	3	8
26 Unrelated EH's Wives		60				9	29	17	5
27 Unrelated EH's Sons' Wives		3				2	1		
28 Unrelated EH's Brothers' Wife		1					1		1
29 Unrel. EH's Mother's B's Wife			1						1
30 Unrel. EH's Mo's B's Sons' Wife									1
31 Unrel. EH's Pa's B's Sons' Wife									1
32 Unrel. EH's B's Sons' Wives' Relat.									1
Sub-Total	16	68	8	15		8	21	34	27
33 Unrel. EH's Daughters	69	2			23	37	11		
34 Unrel. EH's Daughters' Daughters	1				1				
35 Unrel. EH's Sons' Daughters	3				2				
Sub-Total	73	2			26	38	11		
36 Unrel. EH's Sisters			2						1
37 Unrel. EH's Sisters' Daughters' Daughters									1
Sub-Total			2						1
38 Unrel. EH's Mother's			7						3
Sub-Total			7						3
39 Unrel. EH's Wife's Sister									1
40 Unrel. EH's W's Sisters' Sons' Wife									1
41 Unrel. EH's W's B's Daughter									1
42 Unrel. EH's W's Mother									1
Sub-Total									4
Grand Total	263	156	15	54	5	73	137	88	82
									59
									34
									15
									488

TABLE A. 18.5 Household Composition

	No. of Hrs. Comp. Hrs.			A B C D E G K M T V W Y Z O														TOTAL No. Hrs. Spent
	1	2	3	A	B	C	D	E	G	K	M	T	V	W	Y	Z	O	
1. A	38	1	38															38
A+0	6	2	6															12
A+02	1	3	1															4
A+05	3	4	3															10
Stage 1	48	48																96
A+B	3	2	3															8
A+B3	1	4	1															6
A+B2+02	1	5	1															7
A+B+C+0	1	4	1															6
A+B+C+0	1	4	1															6
A+C+G	1	3	1															5
A+C+H+0	1	4	1															6
Stage 2	13	13	10															36
A+E	1	2	1															4
A+B+D	1	3	1															5
Stage 3	2	2																4
Joint																		
Househ.																		
A+C	2	2	2															6
A+C+0	1	3	1															5
A+C2+V	1	4	1															6
A+V	1	2	1															4
Joint HH	5	5																10
Ten. H.																		
O2	1	2																3
O3+Y	1	4																5
O6	1	6																7
O7	1	7																8
O7+P+K+M	1	10																11
O15+E	1	16																17
O20+B2+C2	1	24																25
Ten. H.	12																	12
G.Total	75	68	13	10	1	3	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	190

Symbols

- A Compound Head's Family  
 B CH's Sons' Fam.  
 C CH's Daughters' Fam.  
 D CH's Father's Fam.  
 E CH's Full Brothers' Fam.  
 G CH's Full Sisters' Fam.  
 K CH's Father's B's Sons' Fam.  
 M CH's Mother's B's Sons' Fam.  
 T CH's Daughters' Daughters' Fam.  
 V CH's Wife's B's Sons' Fam.  
 W CH's Sisters' B's Sons' Fam.  
 Y CH's Wife's Sisters' Sons' Fam.  
 Z CH's Divorced Wife's Family  
 O Strangers' Family

TABLE A.18.6 Number of Rooms and Floor Area per Household

	Compound Head's Hh. 68 Hh. 408 Pers.		CH's Sons'+Das' Hh. 18 Hh. 95 Pers.		CH's Brs'+Sists' Hh. 8 Hh. 32 Pers.		Other Related Hh. 5 Hh. 18 Pers.		Tenant Households 91 Hh. 343 Pers.		Total Households 190 Hh. 896 Pers.	
	Rms.	sq.m.	Rms.	sq.m.	Rms.	sq.m.	Rms.	sq.m.	Rms.	sq.m.	Rms.	sq.m.
<b>1. LIVING AREA</b>												
a Sleeping Rms.	148	1,867.8	22.4									
b Sitting Rms.	27	400.4	4.8	267.4	3.2	8	118.1	1.4	6	66.8	0.8	3,469.5
c Store Pers.	24	180.2	2.2	50.4	0.6				1	17.0	0.2	510.7
d Empty Rms.	51	719.0	8.6	13.1	0.2	3	16.7	0.2	7	31.0	0.4	241.0
e Verandahs.	-	678.0	8.2	33.2	0.4	-	7.4	0.1	1	12.2	0.1	767.8
Sub-Total	250	3,845.4	46.2	364.1	4.4	11	142.2	1.7	8	112.5	1.3	5,900.6
<b>2. COMMON RMS.</b>												
a Ent. Lobbies	66	437.8	5.2						1	5.1	0.1	498.1
b Passages	-	497.2	6.0			-	22.8	0.3	-	13.5	0.1	775.0
Sub-Total	66	935.0	11.2			-	22.8	0.3	1	18.6	0.2	1,273.1
<b>3. BASIC ANCILLARY FACILITIES</b>												
a Kitchen	67	433.4	5.2			2	6.9	0.1	1	6.6	0.1	523.6
b Kitchen Stores	17	64.5	0.8									64.5
c Other Stores	57	223.5	2.7			1	2.4	0.0	5	14.1	0.1	240.0
d Toilets+Bathrms.	89	174.8	2.1						2	7.4	0.1	201.5
Sub-Total	230	896.2	10.8			3	9.4	0.1	3	14.0	0.2	1,029.6
<b>4. COMMERCIAL RMS.</b>												
a Shops	11	110.0	1.3									
b Stores									2	12.7	0.2	122.7
Sub-Total	11	110.0	1.3						2	12.7	0.2	122.7
Grand Total	557	5,786.6	69.5	364.1	4.4	14	174.3	2.1	12	145.1	1.7	8,326.0
									168	1,855.9	22.3	100.0

TABLE A.19.1 Structure of Economically Active Population, Distribution by Occupational Groups in 1971

	Morocco Total		Morocco Urban Areas		Morocco Rural Areas		Marrakech Prov. Urban	
	Number	Per Cent	Number	Per Cent	Number	Per Cent	Number	Per Cent
Agriculture	2,047,210	51.4	65,370	4.7	1,981,840	76.9	5,580	5.2
Crafts and Industry	762,440	19.2	483,780	34.6	274,660	10.7	42,590	39.8
Services/Army	327,200	8.2	248,350	17.7	78,848	3.1	17,040	15.9
Trade	222,980	5.6	157,970	11.3	65,010	2.5	14,180	13.3
Prof.Tech.Scient.Staff	158,010	4.0	98,030	7.0	59,980	2.3	6,990	6.6
Administration	119,170	3.0	104,310	7.5	14,850	0.6	4,850	4.5
Miscellaneous	343,510	8.6	241,560	17.2	101,950	3.9	15,740	14.7
Total	3,980,520	100.0	1,403,370	100.0	2,577,150	100.0	106,970	100.0

Source: SECRETARIAT D'ETAT AU PLAN ET AU DEVELOPEMENT REGIONAL, ROYAUME DU MAROC  
 "Recensement General de la Population et de L'Habitat 1971" Rabat 1973,  
 Vol. II Serie "S".

TABLE A.19.2 Consumer Price Indices for Casablanca

Column	1	2	3	4
Year	Gen. Index	Food Index	Clothing Index	Rent Index
1963	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1964	104.1	105.8	103.0	99.2
1965	107.6	109.5	106.1	101.2
1966	106.5	106.4	111.2	102.0
1967	105.7	105.2	110.9	101.0
1968	106.2	105.5	110.3	103.6
1969	109.3	108.9	111.4	105.5
1970	110.7	110.1	112.3	106.8
1971	115.3	117.0	114.2	108.0
1972	119.6	123.0	114.6	113.1
1973	120.6	123.7		

Source: INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE Yearbook of Labour Statistics 1973 Geneva 1974, pp. 700,705,714,719

TABLE A.19.3 Distribution of Consumption and Expenditure Among Urban Households in Morocco 1957-1960

		Percentage of Consumption Expenditure								INCOME GROUP
		AVERAGE PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD	NO OF HOUSEHOLDS SURVEYED	FOOD AND DRINKS	RENT AND HOUSING EXPENDITURE	CLOTHING	FUEL AND LIGHTING	HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND OPERATIONS	OTHERS	
<u>All Urban Areas</u>										
Average Income per Year	Month									
DH 1,442.0	120.0	6.1	392	68.0	12.7	4.1	6.8	1.9	6.5	B*
2,242.0	187.0	5.9	346	65.8	12.4	5.0	6.9	1.9	8.0	C
2,705.0	225.0	5.4	324	64.1	11.3	6.4	6.8	2.2	9.2	D
3,235.0	270.0	5.0	340	64.9	11.3	6.9	5.9	2.3	8.7	D
5,977.0	498.0	5.1	553	54.1	11.1	9.4	5.1	2.8	17.5	F
<u>Traditional Towns only</u>										
3,414.0	285.0	5.7	583	57.6	11.9	8.0	5.5	2.6	14.4	E

\* These letters refer to income groups shown in Table 19.4 on page

Source: INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE Household, Income and Expenditure Statistics 1950-64 Geneva 1967

TABLE A.19.4 Occupational Pattern Survey Sample

Column	1	2	3	4	5					6					7					8			
	Main Occupation				Sec.Occ.CH.					Sec.Occ.D.HH					Sec.Occ.T.HH								
	CH.	DHH	THH	TOTAL	†	2	3	4	5	T.	1	2	3	4	5	T.	1	2	3	4	5	T.	GRAND TOTAL
1. <u>AGRICULTURE</u>																							
Farmer	2	2	4	8																1		1	1
Olive Picking			5	5															2		1	1	4
Sub-Total	2	2	9	13															2	1	1	1	5
2. <u>ART AND CRAFTS (IND.)</u>																							
Builder	5	1	15	21	1			1		2	1					1	2						2
Spinn.Weav.Embroy.	7	3	8	18																			
Tailors	2	1	4	7	1					1													1
Baker	1	1	2	4			1			1													1
Mechanic etc.		2		2																			
Electrician	2			2																			
Leatherworker		1	2	3																			
Carpenter			2	2																			
Gen. Labourer			4	4													1					1	1
Photographer		1		1																			
Store Keeper, Forem.	2			2	1					1													1
Other Crafts	1	2	2	5			1			1				1	1								2
Sub-Total	20	12	39	71	3		2	1		6	1			1	2	3						3	11
3. <u>TRADE</u>																							
Food + Provisions	9	2	7	18	2	1				3	1					1	1					1	5
Textiles, Carpets	3		3	6	1					1													1
Livestock			4	4															1			1	1
Books		2		2																			
Shoes	1	1		2																			
Perfumes			1	1																			
Sub-Total	13	5	15	33	3	1				4	1					1	1	1				2	7
4. <u>SERVICES</u>																							
Teachers	3	3		6																			
Transport	4		1	5																			
Watchmen	1	1	3	5																			
Waiter, Cook	3		2	5																			
Barber	1	1		2							1					1							1
Admin. Office	1	2		3																			
Washer women (men)	1		1	2																			
Gen.Labourer (Serv.)	3	1	5	9		1				1										1		1	2
Petrol St.Attendant	2			2																			
Entertainer		1	1	2																			
Prostitute	1		2	3																1		1	1
Money Lender	1			1																			
Lawyer	1			1																			
Police	1			1																			
Sub-Total	23	9	15	47		1				1		1				1		1	1			2	4
5. <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>																							
Retired	7	1	8	16																			
Beggars	1		5	6																			
Housework (women)	2	2		4																			
Sub-Total	10	3	13	26																			
Grand Total	68	31	91	190	6	2	2	1		11	2	1		1	4	4	4	2	1	1	12	27	

† 1 = Agriculture

4 = Services

CH = Compound Head

2 = Art and Crafts

5 = Miscellaneous

DHH = Dependent Household Head

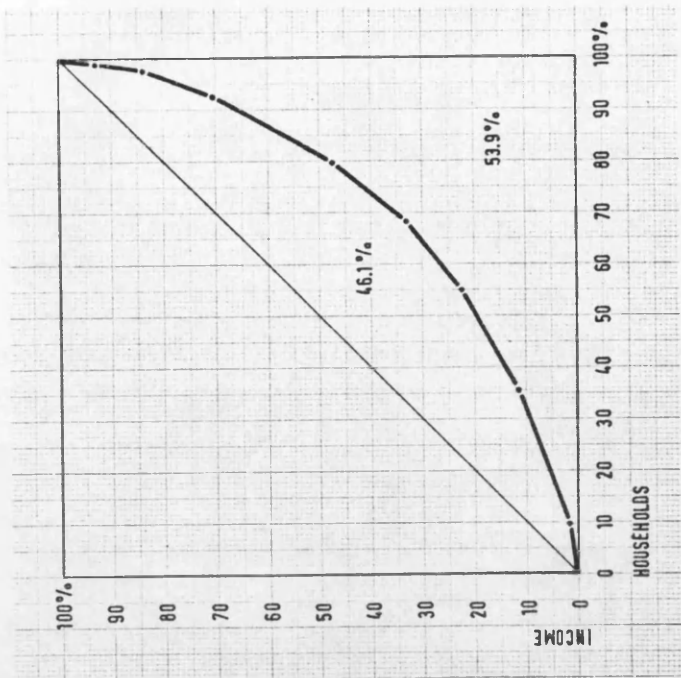
3 = Trade

THH = Tenant Household Head





GRAPH A.19.2 Income Distribution (Lorenz Curve) Marrakech



GRAPH A.19.1 Distribution of Household Income in Marrakech

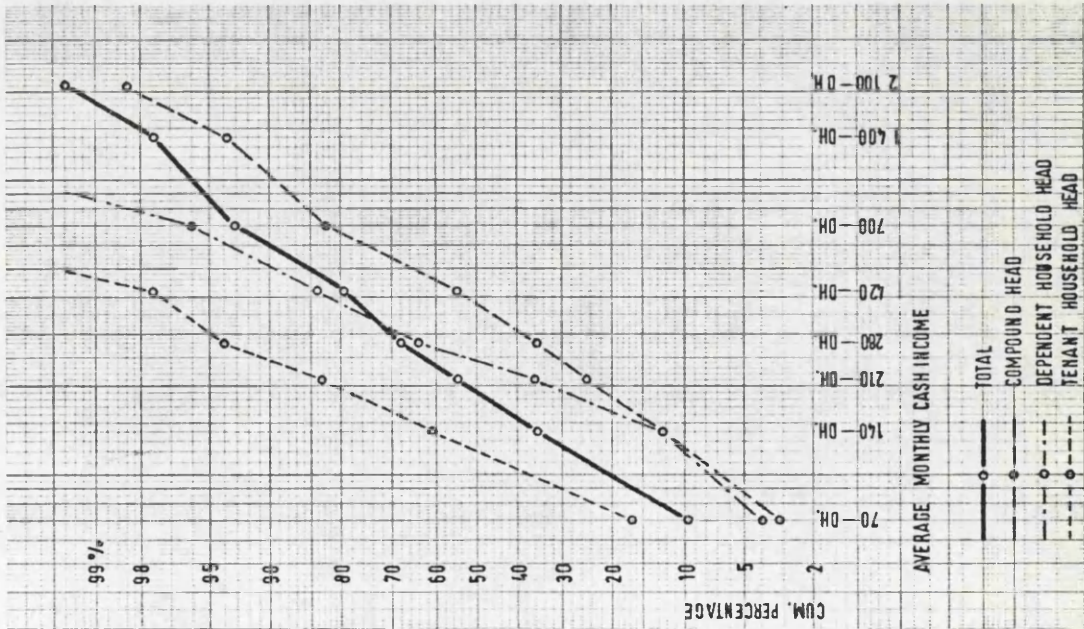


TABLE A.20.1 The Production of Building Materials

	Units	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
Bricks and Tiles <sup>1/</sup>	1,000 t.	119	124	134	138	115	96	90	101	120	126	151	167	180
Pulp Wood	1,000cu.m								125	130	150	160	180	
Sawnwood, Veneers, Sleepers	"	72	60	79	84	54	48	89	68	70	67	70	56	
Mine Wood (Pitprops)	"	4	5	6	5	2		9	9	12	15	16	5	
Other Industrial Wood	"								15	10	10	11	30	
Total Industrial Wood Product. <sup>2/</sup>	"	181					165	227	217	222	242	257	271	
Cement Production <sup>1/</sup>	1,000 t.	579	638	701	769	832	788	856	875	1011	1165	1421	1481	1545
Cement Pipes	"	42	35	14	24	18	21	30	35	41	42	46		
Asbestos-Cement Sheets	"	20	23	19	25	21	25	18	18	24	25	30	26	
Pig-Iron Production <sup>3/</sup>	"			6	7	7	7	6	7	7	8	8		
Crude Steel Production <sup>3/</sup>	"					1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Building Material Index	100=1958	110	118	123	137	143	139	145	145	168	186	224	239	

Sources: 1. Annuaire Statistique du Maroc  
 2. UN. F.A.O. Yearbook of Forest Products 1960-71  
 3. UN. Statistical Yearbook 1972

TABLE A.20.2 Wood and Steel Import <sup>1/</sup>

Year	1966		1967		1968		1969		1970		1971	
Weight and Value	1000t	M.DH	1000t	M.DH	1000t	M.DH	1000t	M.DH	1000t	M.DH	1000t	M.DH
<b>Wood and Wood Products</b>												
Wood rough or roughly squ.	106.4	27.9	103.7	27.0	95.8	26.3	118.3	32.8				
Sawnwood, Veneer, Logs	54.5	16.7	51.4	15.9	55.6	17.4	71.7	23.1				
Wood shaped or simple worked	130.1	48.9	106.6	42.9	140.3	54.7	124.9	52.7				
Lumber	111.1	46.2	101.1	40.8	137.0	39.6	118.7	49.8				
Total Wood	402.1	139.7	362.8	126.6	428.7	138.0	433.6	158.4				
<b>Iron and Steel Products</b>												
Iron + Steel bars, rods	87.6	48.7	98.9	52.1	111.8	61.8	132.5	76.6				
Other bars and rods etc.	54.3	28.2	55.7	29.1			69.4	39.8				
Angles, Sections 80mm +	7.4	4.4	12.3	7.4								
Plates and Sheets	43.0	43.0	57.7	59.7	58.8	57.1	83.7	85.6				
Sheets coated - 3mm	23.0	28.1	34.1	44.7								
Steel wire excl. wire rods	6.3	6.4	7.7	7.7	8.3	8.8	8.4	9.0				
Tubes, pipes and Fittings	10.9	14.0	15.8	21.1	17.7	20.0	18.3	20.9				
Building Fixtures + Fittings	2.8	8.9	3.4	9.7	3.3	10.7	4.1	14.0				
Total Iron and Steel	235.3	181.7	285.6	231.5								

Source: 1. UN. Yearbook of International Trade Statistics 1969 p.579

TABLE A.20.3 Issue of Building Permits for Type of Houses, Area, Cost and Number of Dwellings

	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	Total
<u>Area in 1,000 sq.m.</u>												
Habitat Marocain	517.3	585.1	509.4	634.6	710.2	613.7	586.4	693.8	711.3	772.5	989.1	7,323.4
Immeubles	311.0	437.7	372.6	255.4	367.2	415.6	309.0	445.0	616.4	771.2	806.8	5,107.9
Villas	168.4	237.0	196.3	195.9	173.3	187.2	250.0	324.7	326.4	353.1	247.4	2,659.7
Commerce + Industry	132.2	174.4	94.4	221.6	216.6	279.6	260.9	310.9	371.5	301.3	292.1	2,655.5
Administration	91.8	81.5	108.6	42.9	61.2	93.8	76.1	118.6	84.7	130.0	81.4	970.6
Others	14.4	13.5	9.2	9.8	9.8	8.6	13.4	21.1	24.7	13.9	32.0	170.4
Total Floor Area	1,235.1	1,529.2	1,290.5	1,360.2	1,538.3	1,598.5	1,495.8	1,914.1	2,135.0	2,342.0	2,448.8	18,887.5
<u>Cost in 1,000 DH</u>												
Habitat Marocain	63,917	72,399	64,682	84,769	106,294	92,224	83,235	103,996	124,753	139,875	197,677	1,133,821
Immeubles	51,826	68,221	57,316	37,798	51,854	60,330	47,246	93,702	176,164	191,096	250,996	1,086,549
Villas	28,177	46,660	37,648	36,637	32,356	40,157	49,506	69,851	100,822	106,211	87,974	635,999
Commerce + Industry	20,090	26,517	15,915	68,587	60,278	75,221	61,987	50,639	101,840	86,215	87,193	654,482
Administration	27,183	20,368	24,672	13,309	17,083	30,110	22,384	22,217	33,311	53,236	31,087	294,960
Others	2,105	2,563	1,669	2,597	1,675	1,311	2,445	4,713	4,732	3,868	10,472	38,150
Total Cost in DH	193,298	236,728	201,902	243,697	269,540	299,353	266,803	345,118	541,622	580,502	665,399	3,843,961
<u>No. of Dwellings</u>												
Habitat Marocain	6,650	6,752	5,979	7,320	7,648	6,753	5,982	7,164	7,481	7,952	9,500	79,181
Immeubles	4,307	5,239	4,654	3,151	4,530	3,436	2,410	3,584	5,035	5,750	6,430	48,526
Villas	1,124	1,481	1,224	1,194	1,105	1,023	1,015	1,190	1,425	1,538	1,093	13,412
Others	249	348	347	192	415	158	143	109	193	310	138	2,602
Total Dwellings	12,330	13,820	12,204	11,857	13,698	11,370	9,550	12,047	14,134	15,550	17,161	143,721

Source: SERVICE CENTRAL DES STATISTIQUES, ROYAUME DU MAROC

Annuaire Statistique du Maroc 1962 to 1972

TABLE A.20.4 Structural Changes in 75 Surveyed Houses

	No. of Rms. 31st.1.1969		No. of Rms. built 1.2.64-31.1.69		No. of Rms. 1.2. 1964	
	No.	sq.m.	No.	sq.m.	No.	sq.m.
Living Area	415	5,900.6	14	183.9	401	5,716.7
Common Rooms	78	1,273.1	2	14.8	76	1,258.3
Basic Ancillary Fac.	270	1,029.6	2	7.1	268	1,022.5
Commercially used Rms.	13	122.7	1	18.6	12	104.1
Total	776	8,326.0	19	224.4	757	8,127.5

TABLE A.20.5 Basic Ancillary Facilities in Urban Dwellings in Morocco

	% of Facilities in Dwellings		
	Private	Shared	Total
Kitchen	60.8	4.2	65.0
Bathroom	17.9	0.8	18.7
Piped Water	39.1	12.6	51.7
W.C.	62.3	19.9	82.2
Electricity	68.4		68.4

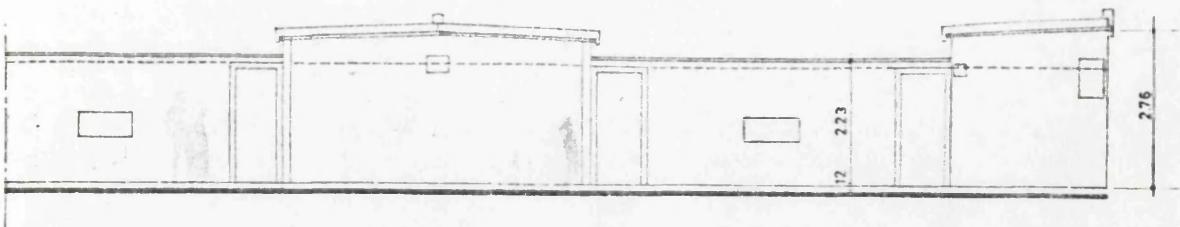
Source: Secretariat d'Etat au Plan, au Developpement Regional et a la Formation des Cadres. "Recensement General de la Population et de l'Habitat 1971" Serie "G" Vol.1 p.20 Rabat 1972

TABLE A.20.6 "What Improvement do you think the House most Needs"

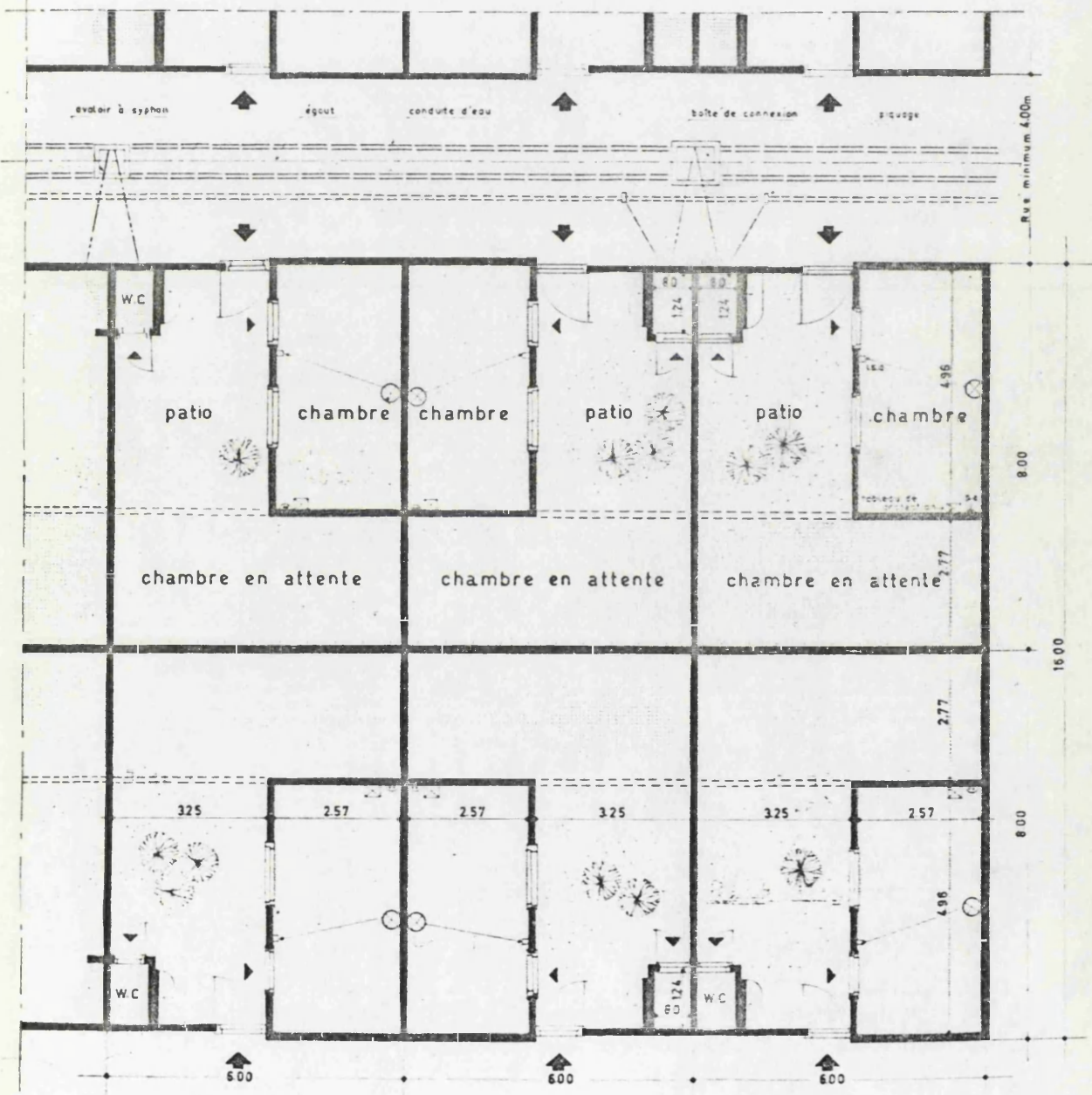
	No. of Comp.Heads	Sub-Group	Per cent
1. Repair on Roof (leaks)	11		
2. New Ceilings (collapsed)	4		
3. Stop Damp in Wall	3		
4. Sewage and Rainwater Channels	5		
Sub-Total		23	30.8
5. Build more Liv + Sleeping Rooms	15		
6. Sell House Buy Bigger one	4		
7. Demolish House Build Bigger one	2		
Sub-Total		21	28.0
8. Glazed Tiles in Rooms + Courtyard	7		
9. Plaster and Paint Rooms	5		
Sub-Total		12	16.0
10. Piped Water	7		
Sub-Total		7	9.3
11. Better Furniture	2		
12. Bathrooms	2		
13. Repair Soreed in Rms.+ Courtyard	1		
14. Cement Courtyard	1		
15. Prefer to live on Ground Floor	1		
Sub-Total		7	9.3
16. Satisfied	4		
Sub-Total		4	5.3
17. No Resonse	1		
Sub-Total		1	1.3
Grand Total	75 +	75	100.0

+ A total of 7 tenement houses had no compound heads, instead I asked the oldest resident household head.

PLAN A.21.1    Modern Low Cost House in Marrakech Ministère de l'Intérieur  
Direction de l'Urbanisme et de l'Habitat 1960



vue des façades



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TABLE A.21.1 Investment of Technical Reserves by all Insurance Companies in Morocco in 1962

	Million DH	Per Cent
<u>Security Approved Without Limit</u>		
Five-Year Government Bonds	39.4	25.7
Long Term State Loans	39.1	25.5
Treasury Bonds	36.0	23.5
Loans to Gov. Boards, Pub. or Mixed Companies	20.0	13.1
Loans Guaranteed by the State	4.9	3.2
Miscellaneous Securities	2.6	1.7
Sub-total	142.0	92.7
<u>Security Approved Within Limit</u>		
Buildings (Offices)	8.5	5.6
First Mortgages	0.4	0.5
Quoted Shares	2.2	1.4
Sub-total	11.1	7.3
Grand Total	153.1	100.0

Source: Banque Marocaine du Commerce Extérieur, Bulletin Mensuel d'Informations, No.93, Casablanca 1969 p. 8

TABLE A.21.2 Construction of New Rooms Between 1964-1969

	No. of Rooms	sq.m.	Per Cent
<u>1. Living Area</u>			
a. Sleeping Rooms	7	90.6	
b. Sitting Rooms	2	27.1	
c. Personal Store Rooms	1	6.2	
d. Empty Rooms	4	60.0	
Sub-total	14	183.9	81.9
<u>2. Common Rooms</u>			
a. Entrance Lobbies	2	11.7	
b. Passages		3.1	
Sub-total	2	14.8	6.6
<u>3. Basic Ancillary Facilities</u>			
a. Kitchen	1	5.8	
b. Kitchen Store	-	-	
c. Other Stores	-	-	
d. Toilets and Bathrooms	1	1.3	
Sub-total	2	7.1	3.2
<u>4. Commercially Used Rooms</u>			
a. Shops	-	-	
b. Workshops	1	18.6	
Sub-total	1	18.6	8.3
Grand Total	19	224.4	100.0

TABLE A.21.3 The Financing of "Second Hand" Houses

Column	1	2	3	4	5	6
House No.	Sold old House	Loans f. Relat.	Own Savings	Sold Animals	Gov. Grant + Gift	Tot. Cost of House
74			150	3,000		3,150
72		300	2,000	1,100		3,400
1	4,000					4,000
5			5,750		1,250	7,000
15		2,000		5,000		7,000
20	5,200	1,800				7,000
39	8,000					8,000
57		3,000	12,000			15,000
7	17,000					17,000
28	10,000	7,000				17,000
45	13,000		7,000			20,000
43	7,000	23,000	2,000			32,000
Total	64,200	37,100	28,900	9,100	1,250	140,550
Per cent	45.7	26.4	20.6	6.5	0.8	100.0

TABLE A.21.4    The Financing of Houses

	No. of Loans	Gifts+ Grants	Dirhams	Per Cent
<u>New Construction</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			17,222	73.8
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts	4		4,100	17.6
Institutional Sources		1	2,000	8.6
Total Expenditure			23,322	100.0
<u>Improvements</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			27,428	69.8
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts	8	1	7,600	19.4
Institutional Sources*	1	1	4,250	10.8
Total Expenditure			39,278	100.0
<u>Maintenance and Repair</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			22,217	94.9
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts	1		1,200	5.1
Institutional Sources			-	-
Total Expenditure			23,417**	100.0
<u>Under Construction</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			8,250	100.0
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts			-	-
Institutional Sources			-	-
Total Expenditure			8,250	100.0
<u>Total Building Activities</u>				
CH's Personal Income and Savings			75,117	79.7
Personal Sources, Loans and Gifts	13	1	12,900	13.7
Institutional Sources	2	1	6,250	6.6
Total Expenditure			94,267	100.0

\* Excluding DH 1,250 Gov. Grant used for buying a second-hand house

\*\* Adjusted expenditure, actual expenditure DH 14,050



F 1 GENERAL FAMILY DATA

Date. Town. Time. House No.

No.	House Member	Rm. No.	Relationship to Compound H.	Same Pot	Birthplace and Age	R/U	Eth. Gr.	Rel.	Mat. Stat	Years in Town	House
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URBAN HOUSING SURVEY 1.

GENERAL INFORMATION SHEET

Town. Address. House No.

1. CONTACT

When.

Dim.

G.F.De.

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Clim.D.

Fin.

2. OBSERVATION

House.

Family.

3. CLIMATIC INVESTIGATION

4. MISCELLANEOUS

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F2 FAMILY HISTORY

- F2.2 What was the occupation of your father? Birthpl.  
F2.3 What was the occupation of your grandfather? Birthpl.  
F2.4 Are your parents still alive?  
F2.5 Where did you live before coming to this town? When?  
F2.6 When did you become compound head?

F3 AGRICULTURE

- F3.1 Do you farm?  
F3.2 How many acres do you have?  
F3.3 Where are they located? Give nearest town and distance.  
F3.4 Do you have a farmhouse there?  
F3.5 How much time do you spend on farm?  
F3.6 List housemember helping you.

Person					
Time spend farm/animal	1	2	3	4	5

F3.7 How many labourers do you employ?

F3.8 How much do you pay them? Year/Season/Week/Day

F3.9 List crops you mainly grow.  
This year's figures. (T-Turnover)

Cash crop	Amount sold(T)	Food crop	Amount sold(T)	Amount kept, Profit
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				

F3.10 What was your total profit from farm products last year?

3

F1a GENERAL FAMILY DATA

Education Stand. Reached	Occupation Primary	Secondary	Other Information
1			
2			
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F5 INTERMEDIATE TRADE

F5.1 Do you or your family members trade?

Person	Kind of trade (items)	h.p day	Good day inc.	Good day prof.	Normal day inc.	Normal day prof.	Bad day inc.	Bad day prof.
1								
2								
3								
4								
5								

F5.2 How much capital have you invested in your stock?

1	2	3	4	5	6
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F5.3 How much do you spend on new stock and how long will it last?

F5.5 How much rent do you pay for your trading site?

F5.6 What is your average profit from trade in a day/week/month?

F6 OTHER PROFESSION OR SERVICE

F6.1 Describe your occupation.

F6.2 How long employed in that job?

F6.3 Where do you work?

F6.4 How many hours do you work?

F6.5 What is your income per week/month?

Day/wk.

F7 FOOD

F7.1 List food you normally eat daily.

Morning	Noon	Evening
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F7.2 How much do you spend on food per day/week?

Give details. (See separate sheet)

F7.2a How much do you spend on fuel per week? (Light/cooking)

F7.3 How much do you spend on (day/week/month)

Kola	Cigar	Wine/Beer	Soft drinks	Cinema	Others
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F3.11 List animals belonging to your household.

Kind	Within the compound	On farm	Sold last year (T)	Other information
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				

F3.11a How many labourers do you employ for your animals?

F3.12 What was your total profit from animal or animal products last year?

F4. ART AND CRAFT

F4.1 Are you or your family members engaged in crafts?

Person	Article produced	How many p. hr/day/wk.	Price p. article	Profit p. article
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				

F4.2 How much did you spend on raw material last day/wk/month?

How long will it last?

F4.3 Where did you practise your craft?

F4.4 How much do you pay rent for your site?

F4.4a How many labourers do you employ?

How much do you pay them?

F4.5 What is your total profit from crafts day/wk/month?



and when did you move into the house?

H2.6 How long did you save for the house? How much?

If yes, how much did it cost you up till now?

How much more do you think it will cost you?

private sources?  
How much?

H3.1 Have you carried out any improvement on the house? (last five years)

### H3.3 What improvement do you think the house most needs?

H4.1 Have you carried out any repair work on the house? (last three years)

	Walls House/Court.	Roof Ceiling	Floor	Window Doors	Outside
Describe					
When?					
Cost?					
Misc.					

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